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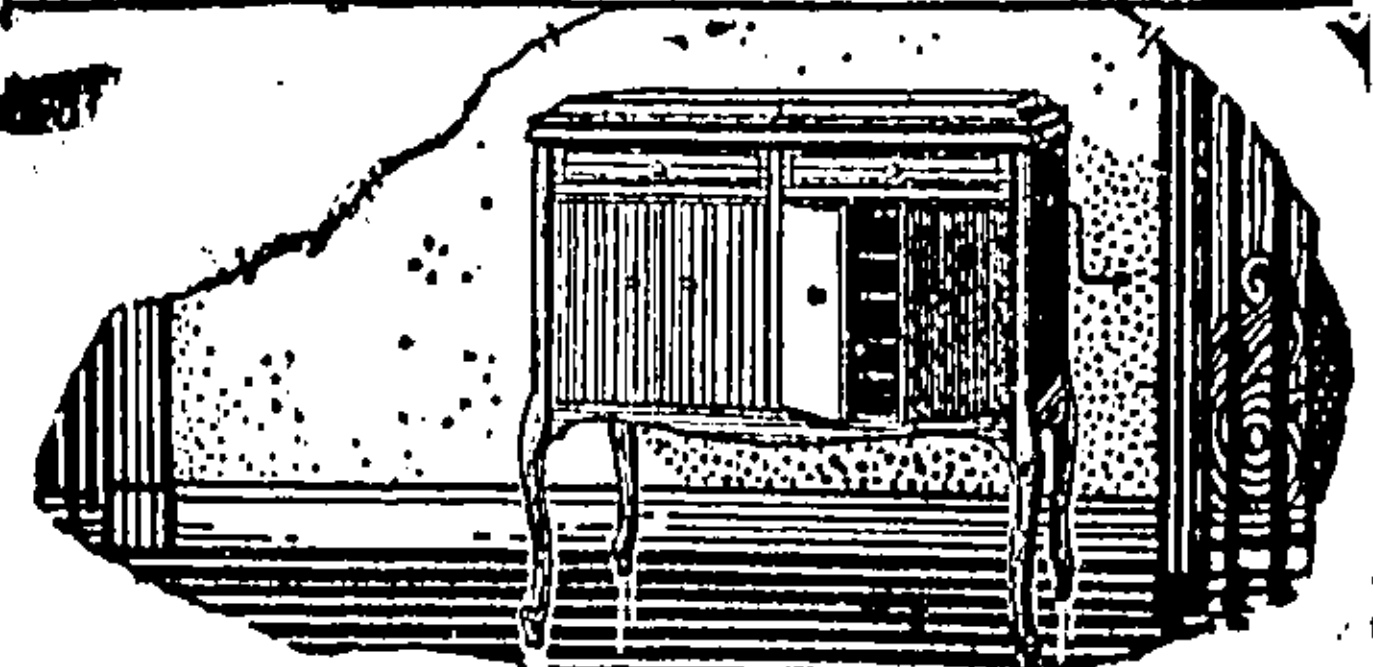
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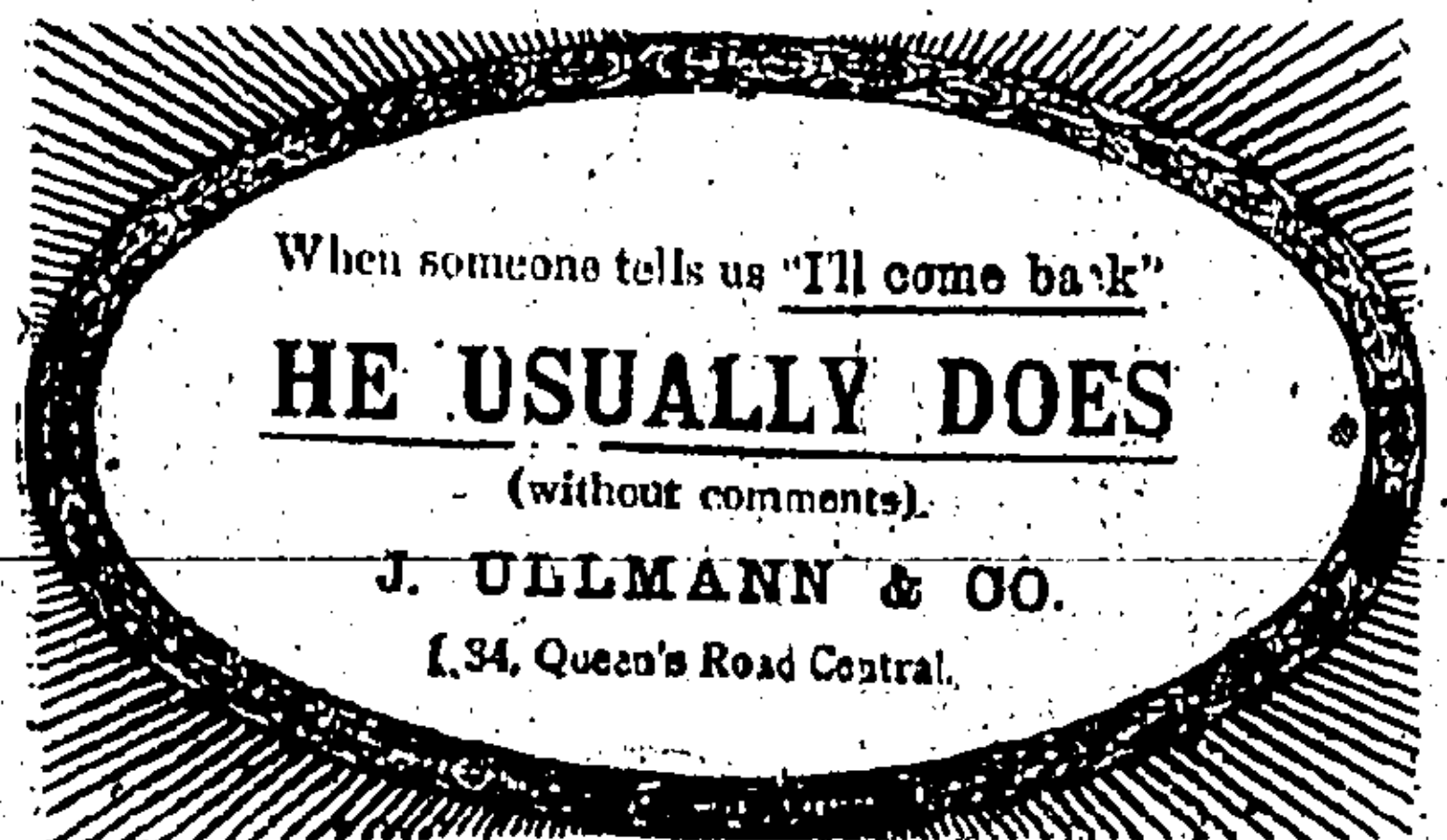
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ITALIAN MASSACRE.

STRONG NOTE TO GREECE.

DRASTIC DEMANDS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

ROME, August 29.

Regarding the subject of the massacre of the Italian Mission Sianer Mussolini has instructed the Italian minister at Athens to present a note demanding firstly complete official apologies to be presented to the Italian legation at Athens by the supreme Greek military authority. Secondly, a solemn funeral of the victims to be celebrated in the Catholic cathedral at Athens attended by all the members of the Government. Thirdly, honours to be rendered the Italian flag by the Hellenic fleet at Piraeus to the Italian naval division which will be sent there expressly. Honours must be rendered by salvoes of twenty-one guns by Hellenic ships which must fly the Italian flag at their masts during the salvoes. Fourthly, strict enquiry must be effected within five days at scene of massacre in the presence of the Italian military attaché General Perone. Fifthly, capital punishment must be inflicted on the guilty. Sixthly, an indemnity of fifty million lire must be paid within five days. Seventhly, military honours must be rendered to bodies when embarking for Italy. The note concludes with a request for a reply at the earliest possible moment.

ITALY CONVINCED.

ROME, August 29.

The semi-official preamble states that the Government is convinced that the moral responsibility apart from actual complicity in the massacre belongs to the Greek Government. The Italian Government reached this conviction after an examination of the circumstances of the massacre together with information from various sources, also the persistent campaign of defamation waged by the Greek press against Italy. Signor Mussolini is consequently convinced he is interpreting the indignation of the whole nation. He has instructed the Italian minister to present the note. It is learned in London that Signor Mussolini has notified the Anglo-French Governments of details of the incident. It is probable therefore that the matter will be discussed at the Ambassadors' conference which it hoped will form a safety valve.

GREEKS TAKE ACTION.

ATHENS, August 30.

With a view to conducting a systematic enquiry a warship is being despatched to Santorini near the scene of the massacre with a police commander, and two superior officers of the department of military police aboard.

GREEKS TO REPLY.

ATHENS, August 30.

The Italian Minister yesterday handed Italy's note to the Greek Government which has been given twenty-four hours in which to reply. Premier Gonatas informed the Press that while some of the Italian demands were unacceptable some would be agreed to. Modification of others would be requested. The Government replies to the note to-day.

IRISH ELECTIONS.

DE VALERA IN MINISTERS BIG VOTE.

LONDON, August 30.

Mr. De Valera has been elected for County Clare with three times the necessary quota. The large poll for Ministers was also an outstanding feature of the election. The results hitherto published:—Mr. Cosgrave secured 17,744 votes at Carlow out of a total of 40,790 which is treble the necessary quota. Mr. O'Higgins for County Dublin secured 20,840 out of 57,384. Mr. Mulcahy topped the poll at Dublin City.

STATE OF PARTIES.

DUBLIN, August 30.

The position of parties at mid-night were:—

Government	27
Republicans	9
Farmers	4
Independents	7
Labour	4

Professor Mr. Neill and Minister Fitzgerald have been elected for County Clare and County Dublin respectively. Mr. Walsh, Postmaster General topped the poll at Cork City obtaining treble the votes cast for Miss Mary McSwiney whose election is not yet certain. Gavin Duffy is at the bottom of the poll for County Dublin.

NAVAL BASE.

NEW ZEALAND'S CONTRIBUTION.

WELLINGTON, August 30.

The New Zealand estimates include £100,000 contribution to the naval base at Singapore.

WHAT'S YOURS?

LAKE ONTARIO FOR A DRINK.

TORONTO, August 30.

In contrast to the United States Supreme Court's decision the Canadian Attorney General has decided that the Cuban cruiser "Patria" anchored in Lake Ontario is outside the jurisdiction of the Ontario Temperance Act. The case arose in connection with a charge that liquor was recently served to guests aboard the steamer.

BOND OF TRADE.

NEGOTIATIONS WITH RUSSIA.

MOSCOW, August 29.

The presence here of Senator McKellar is said to be connected with negotiations for the import of American cotton to Russia.

JAPANESE INTERESTED.

MOSCOW, August 29.

Mr. Yamasaki, Chairman of the Tokyo Chamber of Commerce, has arrived.

MUCH THE SAME.

REPARATIONS PROBLEM UNSOLVED.

BELGIAN NOTE NOT VERY HELPFUL.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, August 29.

Reuter states that competent unofficial circles express the opinion that the Belgian note leaves the position much the same as before the recent exchange of inter-Allied notes. It is regretted that the note does not mention the British proposal for an international commission to assess Germany's capacity for payment. It is felt that mere statements of Allied claims are valueless. The whole reparations question must be considered from the viewpoint of Germany's maximum capacity for payment. It appears that the Belgian note, while considerably reducing the schedule of payment of May, 1921, which fixed Germany's liability at 132 milliards, would still entail payment of about eighty milliards which competent financial circles in Britain regard as impracticable.

TEA TRADE RIVALRY.

IMPERIAL PREFERENCE POLICY.

DUTCH INDIES PROTEST.

BATAVIA, August 29.

Dutch-Indian tea trade circles are starting a movement of protest against imperial preference being made the "main point of the Imperial Economic Conference in October". It is stated here that heavy pressure is to be put on the Australian representatives with a view to inducing Australia to give preference to British Indian and Ceylon teas. It is suggested that as a reprisal duties should be imposed on Australian products in the Dutch Indies which are important customers for Australian butter, flour and coal.

HOME RACING.

DUKE OF YORK STAKES.

CRAIG ELEYR DISQUALIFIED.

YORK, August 29.

In the race for the Duke of York Stakes this afternoon, run over the 1 1/4 mile course, four started. Craig Eleyr, carrying 8st. 6lbs, finished first by a short head from the St. Leger favourite Papyrus, 9st. 11lbs, with Concertina, 8st. 6lbs, a head away third. Craig Eleyr was disqualified for boring and not keeping a straight course, the race being awarded to Papyrus. Tricky Aunt, 8st. 13lbs, was placed third. The starting prices were 85/40 against Papyrus; 13/8 on Concertina and 20/1 against Tricky Aunt.

FLYING-FORTRESS.

LATEST AIR TERROR.

NEW ALL-METAL AEROPLANE.

MARSEILLES, August 29.

"A flying fortress" is the description of a new type of all metal aeroplane carrying eight machine-guns tested at Marignan. It has a speed of 140 miles and is fitted with four engines each developing 200 horse power. The test showed that the wings could bear a weight of thirty tons without strain.

GOOD CONDUCT REWARDED.

KHILAFAT LEADER RELEASED.

AGRA, August 29.

The well-known Khilafatist leader Mahomed Ali has been released from jail at Whansi. He earned a reduction of his sentence of imprisonment for political offences by excellent conduct in jail.

SIMLA, August 29.

The Provincial Committees are recommending Mahomed Ali as President of the Indian National Congress.

TRADE TENTACLES SPREADING.

HAMBURG STEAMER REACHES PERSIA

TEHERAN, August 29.

A German steamer arrived at Enzeli from Hamburg with a cargo of sugar and haberdashery and the first post from Europe via Moscow which has arrived in Persia.

ROBBED.

JAPANESE BUSINESS MAN'S LOSS.

PARIS, August 29.

While travelling from Paris to Marseilles, an Osaka business man named Nishimura Reigiro was robbed of jewellery valued at four thousand francs.

MARKS STILL PLUNGING.

LONDON, August 29.

Marks are quoted at 32,500,000/34,000,000.

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The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

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FRIDAY, August 31, 1923,
commencing at 11 a.m.,
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Valuable Household Furniture,
Comprising—One Brass Bedstead, 1 Teak Bedstead,
Wardrobes, Marble Top Washstands,
Dressing Tables, Extension Dining
Table, etc., etc.A Few Pieces of Canton Blackwood
Ware.One Cottage Piano by
"Collard & Collard"One Cottage Piano
One Gramophone
One Telescope
Two Typewriters
Nine "White Mountain" Freezers
(New)Also
A Quantity of Plated Forks and
Spoons (New)Catalogues will be issued.
Terms:—Cash on delivery.**LAMMERT BROS.**
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Hongkong, August 27, 1923.

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FRIDAY, August 31, 1923,
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Postage StampsCatalogues will be issued.
On View from Thursday, the 30th
August, 1923.

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LAMMERT BROS.
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, August 27, 1923.

**FARES FOR PUBLIC
VEHICLES.**The fares prescribed for public vehicles
are as follows:—1.—In the Island of Hongkong, Kowloon,
Kwai Chung, and New Territories.**RICKSHAS.**Five minutes..... 5 cents
Ten minutes..... 10 "

Quarter hour..... 15 "

Half hour..... 20 "

One hour..... 30 "

Every subsequent hour..... 30 "

If the ricksha be engaged
within the City of Victoria, and be dis-
charged outside the Western part of the
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Station on the Eastern side of the City
of Victoria after 9 p.m., an extra half
fare shall be chargeable.For 2 or 3 drivers the fare is double or
treble respectively.

27.—In the Hill District.

Ten minutes..... 15 cents
Quarter hour..... 20 "

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One hour..... 40 "

Every subsequent hour..... 40 "

By arrangement with the proprietors
through the Police.**CHAIRS.**

1.—Lower Levels.

Ten minutes..... 10 cents
Quarter hour..... 15 "

Half hour..... 20 "

One hour..... 30 "

Every subsequent hour..... 30 "

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Quarter hour..... 20 "

Half hour..... 30 "

One hour..... 40 "

Every subsequent hour..... 40 "

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Hotel, from Shanghai.Ng Kam Fai, Portland Street, Yau-mat
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0111, from Shanghai.

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N. LUND,
Act. Superintendent.

Hongkong, August 9, 1923.

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ASIA & CHINA TELEGRAPH CO.**List of unclaimed telegrams lying in
E. E. Telegraph Office, Hongkong.Fusilad, Watchman French Ship
Co. from Kuala Lumpur.

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and cutting is now in full progress.
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usually about a fortnight ahead of
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stuff both in size of bloom
and in quality. Practically all the
lavender sold by hawkers' and
shops is English grown.**Wells of the Oases.**From very early times in the
Egyptian cases boring for water
was practised in order to improve
the yield of the "flowing springs"
where the water found its way to
the surface by fissures in the rock,
and also to obtain new supplies
by providing an outlet for the
deep-seated water supply where
natural fissures did not occur.
An inscribed stone which was
found in the Ashmolean Museum at
Oxford, records a legal dispute
about a well in the reign of She-
shonk I. and in this a distinction is
made between natural surface
flowing wells and bored or sunk
wells. No description of the ap-
paratus employed has come down
to us, says the *Times*, but there
can be little doubt that it was much
the same as that which has been in
use in the more northern Oases of
Baharia up to quite recent years,
and of which a specimen is now in
the Science Museum at South
Kensington.**Taxi-Cab Fares.**Londoners, and visitors to Lon-
don, are interested in, but not very
hopeful about, the latest cut in the
price of petrol, as affecting the cab
fares. Some cab owners have al-
ready stated that 3½d. off the gallon
of petrol cannot be translated into
pennies on the taximeter. But they
will have more difficulty in persuad-
ing the public that the reduction
from 4s. 3½d. in 1920 to 1s. 8½d.
to-day (plus a fall in the price of
tyres) does not justify a re-
duction from 1s. to 10d. as the
minimum fare. That this would
increase the turnover I haven't the
smallest doubt, says a writer;
and men would still get their
minimum tip 3d. on the
minimum fare. The extras also
need revision. It is quite unreason-
able, when two people are carried
a mile for 1s., to charge 2s. 6d. for
four people on the same journey.
The drivers, of course, will resist
the reduction of extras, as they get
them in full, for themselves. The
other day I drove to a railway
station: the fare was 2s., and the
extras were 2s. 3d.—two extra
passengers 1s. 6d., a cycle 9d., and
four pieces of luggage 1s. After
all, the chief object in taking a
station cab is to carry luggage.**Packing for Holidays.**Some women pack for a holiday
(says the *Daily Telegraph*) as if
they were going to a desert island;
they fill the trunk with everything
likely to be needed in case of
emergency, but as a matter of fact,
unless one is going where
shops are scarce, most things
are very easily obtained at
the seaside or country. The
best way to pack boots and shoes
is to place them separately in the
legs of old stockings, first cutting
off the feet. A good way to pack a
hat to prevent its crushing is to
cover the crown with a light card-
board box that will just take it, and
to cover the brim with soft articles
that will lie perfectly flat. The
more tightly a trunk is packed the
less likely are clothes to be crush-
ed, but there should be no over-
crowding. A trunk should close
for locking without the family hav-
ing to sit on it before the key will
turn.**The Latest Catchword.**This matter of hats, which was
emphasised in a catchword of some
20 years ago, reminds one that the
successor to "Where did you get
that hat?"—"Get your hair cut!"
"If I catch you bending!"—"Not
in these trousers!"—"Yes, we
have no bananas to-day." It is
taken from an American revue
song, which is just as
silly as "Tar-tar-boom-de-ay."
The phrase is supposed to have
originated in the unwillingness of
a Greek fruiterer in New York, to
say "No," when he was asked for
any commodity. "Have you no
bananas to-day?"—"Yes, we have
no bananas to-day. Or, going
please further in his desire to
be polite, he says, "Yes, we have
no bananas to-day." So there
is an idea behind this catchword;
and that, for the Londoner, is
sufficient to ensure its early and un-
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NOTICE.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND of Fifty cents (50 cents) per share has been declared for the half year ending 30th June, 1923.

Such Interim Dividend will be payable on and after TUESDAY, the 18th September at the offices of the Company, where shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be closed from the 7th September, 1923 until the 15th September, 1923 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 29th August, 1923.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

MEMBERS are notified that the Lists for Subscription Gratings for the Annual Race Meeting 1924 close on FRIDAY the 31st inst.

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE THIRD YEARLY DRAWING of 20 Debentures (1920 issue—\$500. each) of the HONGKONG CLUB, Payable on SATURDAY, the 23rd September, 1923, will be held in the Club House at 11 o'clock, A.M. on SATURDAY, the 8th September, 1923.

Bearers of Debentures are invited to attend the Drawing.

By Order,
A. H. ABBAS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 28th August, 1923.

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TWO undermentioned goods have been to announce that the prices hitherto charged have remained the same for years. Owing to the increased cost of living all manufacturers, stores and workmen are reluctantly compelled to raise their prices. At a meeting of employers and employees it was unanimously agreed that prices of goods be increased by ten per cent. and that workmen's wages be raised by seventeen per cent. This was ratified by the delegates appointed to the meeting.

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Devil's Peak	724

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ANNOUNCEMENT.

OWING to the receipt of numerous complaints from patrons as to the ineffectiveness of various members of the Staff of the Hotels under the Management of this Company in Hongkong, such complaints being to the effect that "Cash" has been demanded in satisfaction of Liquors supplied, and patrons thereby inconvenienced by not being allowed to sign "chits," we beg to draw the attention of our clientele to the terms of the Liquors Ordinance, 1917, an extract from which is hereby given:—

2. In this Ordinance.

(a) "Cash" means any coins or notes current in the Colony.
(b) "Sale" includes any transaction in which intoxicating liquor is supplied for any consideration whatsoever, direct or indirect.

3. (1) Subject to the provisions of sub-section (2) of this section, no person shall sell any intoxicating liquor for consumption on or at any licensed premises except for cash.

(2) Sub-section (1) of this section shall not apply to the following:—
(a) any sale by the proprietor of an hotel to a person residing at the hotel;

(b) any sale by the proprietor of an hotel of liquor to be consumed in the dining room of the hotel at one of the regular meals of the hotel or of liquor to be consumed in conjunction with any other bona fide meal for which a charge of at least thirty cents can be reasonably made;

(c) any sale in accordance with the conditions of his licence by the holder of a restaurant adjacent licence.

4. Where any intoxicating liquor is sold by a servant or employee in contravention of section 3 of this Ordinance the employer, whether a natural person or a body corporate, shall be deemed to be guilty of an offence against this Ordinance unless he proves affirmatively that the sale was against his express orders and without his consent or connivance.

5. Every person to whom any liquor is, to the knowledge of such person, supplied in contravention of this Ordinance shall also be guilty of an offence against this Ordinance.

The co-operation of our Patrons, with a view to assisting us to carry out the provisions of the Liquors Ordinance, is respectfully requested.

FOR AND ON BEHALF OF

THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LTD.

WALTER J. HAWKER,
SECRETARY.

Hongkong, 18th August, 1923.

NOTICE.

THIS PROSPECTUS HAS BEEN DULY FILED WITH THE REGISTRAR OF COMPANIES.

The subscription List will open on WEDNESDAY, the 20th day of August, 1923 and close on or before SATURDAY, the 1st of September, 1923.

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Capital \$2,000,000 divided into 200,000 shares of \$10 each. Of the above shares it is only intended to issue at the present time 100,000 shares, and of these 80,000 have already been subscribed for cash by the General Managers, Members of the Consulting Committee and their friends. On these \$1.25 per share will be paid on application and the balance when called up on the same basis as the remaining capital.

The remaining 20,000 shares (being the balance of the said 100,000 shares intended to be issued at the present time), ranking equally with those already subscribed, are now offered for public subscription payable as to \$1.25 per share on application. The balance due on each share, namely, \$8.75 will be called up on subsequent demand as and when further capital is required.

The whole of the above issue of 100,000 shares (including the 20,000 shares now offered for public subscription as above) has been underwritten by the General Managers, the Members of the Consulting Committee and their friends for a commission at the rate of 2½ per cent. on the nominal value of the shares so underwritten upon the terms of an Underwriting Letter bearing date the 24th day of August, 1923 addressed to the Company and Messrs. Shewan, Tomes and Company its General Managers by the Underwriters above mentioned, a copy of which can be inspected at the offices of the Solicitors to the Company, Messrs. Deacon, Harston & Shenton, No. 1, Des Vaux Road Central, Hongkong, at any time during business hours.

The unissued capital of the Company consisting of 100,000 shares of the nominal value of \$10 each will be issued at such time or times and upon such terms and conditions as the General Managers shall determine.

MEMBERS OF THE CONSULTING COMMITTEE.

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(b) The minimum subscription on which the General Managers may proceed to allotment is seven shares subscribed for on a cash footing and on which \$1.25 per share has been paid up on application.

(c) The shares now offered for subscription have as above indicated been underwritten by the Directors and their friends for a commission at the rate of 2½ per cent. on the nominal value of such shares upon the terms of the Underwriting Letter above mentioned, which can be inspected at the place and time above mentioned.

(d) No other commission or promotion money will be paid by the Company.

(e) The Company is to pay all preliminary expenses of and incident to the formation and floating of the Company (including the aforesaid Underwriting Commission) down to the time when the Company becomes entitled to commence business and the estimated amount thereof is \$30,000.

(f) The Articles of Association provide that the qualification of a Member of the Consulting Committee is to be the holding of at least 500 shares in the Company, and that remuneration of the Members of the Consulting Committee shall be the sum of \$5,000 per annum to be divided among them according to the number of attendances by them at the Meetings of such Committee.

(g) The General Managers and the Members of the Consulting Committee are interested in the promotion of the Company to the extent only that they or some of them are Directors of other Companies with whom the Company may do business.

(h) Copies of the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company can be inspected at the aforementioned offices of the Solicitors to the Company at any time during business hours.

(i) A copy of the Company's Memorandum of Association is annexed to this Prospectus and forms part of it.

(j) Application for shares should be made upon the form attached to this Prospectus which should be detached therefrom and sent to the Company's Bankers (The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation) together with a remittance of \$1.25 per share the amount of the deposit.

Where no allotment is made the deposit will be returned in full and where the number of shares allotted is less than the number applied for, a proportionate amount of the deposit will be returned.

(k) Prospectuses can be inspected at and forms of application obtained from the Company's Bankers (The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation) and at and from the offices of the Company in St. George's Building (First Floor), Chater Road, Hongkong.

Dated the 24th August, 1923.

MAIL WEEK NEWS.

ITEMS FROM FAR AND NEAR.

Summer time became effective in Ottawa on Sunday the 20th June.

The death is announced of M. de Freycinet, a former French Prime Minister.

A girl with a tennis racket was seen in West London church on Sunday, recently.

Lord Newton's Advertisements Regulation Bill passed Committee stage in the House of Lords.

Great havoc has been wrought by flood and fire at Hot Springs, Arkansas, the well-known American health resort.

Vice-Admiral Sir Roger Keyes has unveiled the memorial erected to the 386 men of Brentford who lost their lives in the war.

At the annual conference of the Railway Clerks' Association at Yarmouth, Edinburgh was chosen as next year's meeting place.

The Prince of Wales and Mr. Lloyd George were the principal speakers at the banquet of the Medical Society of London.

Sir William Osler, the famous artist, is at present confined to bed in his house at Chelsea, suffering from a form of blood-poisoning.

Alderman Robert Preston, senior member for Lancaster Town Council, and four times Mayor of the borough, died in his 68th year.

Mr. E. M. Macdonald, who was recently appointed member of the Canadian Cabinet, has (Reuters reports) taken the Portfolio of Defence.

Mr. Joseph Devlin addressing a Nationalist Meeting in Ulster, urged that a Boundary Commission should now be set up under the Irish Treaty.

A Reuters message from Washington says the appointment of Mr. Edward P. Farley as Chairman of the Shipping Board is announced.

Increases of from 15 to 20 per cent. have been ordered in the wages of American seamen employed in vessels belonging to the Shipping Board.

Married 43 years, Mr. William Banks, of Leicester Road, Preston, aged 70, and his wife, aged 74, died within three hours of each other from pneumonia.

"Subject to the approval of the Ministry of Health," the Suburban District Council is permitting the tenant of one of its new houses to install a wireless receiving set at his abode.

Much excitement was caused in Pull-mall when a Daimler car caught fire near the Carlton Hotel. The blazing petrol collected in the gutter. A number of fire engines were promptly on the scene, and the fire was put out by the use of a chemical extinguisher.

Mr. E. J. Bromley (40), Lansdowne Road, Croydon, was seriously injured by falling from a wooden footbridge over the railway. In falling from the bridge Mr. Bromley alighted between the lines along which a train was approaching. The whole train passed over him, apparently without adding any injury to those caused by falling from the bridge.

Mr. F. W. Bartlett, aged 62, a wholesale potato and fruit merchant, of Hertford, while following the Essex Otter Hounds at Whittlesford, Cambridgeshire, took a short cut along the railway line and was knocked down by an express train and killed. It was stated at the inquest that he stepped from one track to another to avoid a goods train. A verdict of accidental death was returned.

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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, AUG. 30, 1923.

SLANDERING HONGKONG.

Mr. Eric Moller, seemingly, is incorrigible. After reading his latest attack against the Hongkong Government, one would say amazingly incorrigible, were it not that we are all creatures of prejudice and it is an axiom of psychology that we believe what we want to believe. Everyone can see that Mr. Moller pathetically—almost painfully—wants to believe that the Hongkong Government is dishonest. And also that he does. But Mr. Moller cannot take full refuge in the common fallacy. Prejudiced he may be—what more natural?—but that does not absolve him; anyhow not after the Colonial Secretary's complete answer to his charges, though even before he was routed he must have known the real facts. Taking the charitable view and blaming prejudice for Mr. Moller's aberrations one must yet define him for errors rebuke. Taking the most lenient view, he is the ready victim of prejudice; and prejudice, in the words of a famous sage, is the reasoning of a fool. Academic induction apart, however, who but a person utterly biased would persistently blink facts the way Mr. Moller does? Who but an ostrich would bury his head in the sand every time an awkward fact swims into his vision? Almost all humanity, you reply. Possibly. But that does not lessen the folly of the action; it only increases the number of the fools.

Naturally one does not thus sternly take anybody to task without good cause. Mr. Moller has given

ample cause; so much, indeed, that he has now made it impossible any longer to ignore the harm he is doing. Where is the sense of beating his pride, his affection for Hongkong in one breath and hounding down the Colony's Government in the next? Where is the sense in hounding the honesty and sincerity of Mr. Fletcher and then with the ink hardly dry making him one of a gang whom he scarcely forbears to describe as thieves; whom he does actually accuse of veiled robbery? Where is the sense?—rather where is the decency, the honour? Did Mr. Moller's charges come only under the notice of people who could readily recognise, if not their falsity, at least their warped origin—did his reckless libels come only under the notice of the discerning few, then we would dismiss them as the misshapen offspring of obsession; then we would leave him to glory alone in his polemics. But they are the stones which send out ever widening ripples. Those ripples have long since spread beyond Shanghai, beyond Hongkong, beyond the Far East. They have reached London. Unlike watery ripples, however, they gather force as they travel, becoming ever more sensational and ever harder to quell. Who can refute a sneer? asks the sage. Who, he might have added, can stop a slander once it has been started? The actual truth is always so much more prosaic and therefore always so much harder to establish. And be the answer never so complete, be it never so crushing, some of the mud will stick.

Some of Mr. Moller's mud will certainly stick. Already he has more than half convinced Shanghai that Hongkong's Government, Mr. Fletcher specially excepted, is a pirate gang, soullessly robbing patriotic British ship-

owners, notably "a modest Shanghai Shipping Company which has had its Red Anchor flag flying over these Chinese waters for over half a century," but which (strangely enough) did not possess one single vessel until after the war began. Mr. Moller has already more than half convinced Shanghai—thanks partly to the fact that his charges have been given fully in the Shanghai papers and Hongkong's reply has been cut down to exclude certain vital points—and now his charges against the Colony have evoked the sympathy of an influential London journal—*Truth*, not less. Piracy is a hard word, and we must thank Mr. Moller for it entirely, as we must also thank him for the strong London demand that the House of Commons itself debate our infamy. That is what Mr. Moller is doing for the Colony, he professes to love. And why? Simply because he blindly, wilfully refuses to recognise naked facts. Simply because he has a grievance and nothing will satisfy him but Hongkong must suffer. Does Mr. Moller really believe that the Mr. Fletcher whom he publicly praises for his sincerity is basely lying? How else would he describe Mr. Fletcher's emphatic answer if its very definite statements are as utterly perverted as they must be to permit the charges against the Government being even faintly true? Inferences are too brutally plain to pursue this point further unless we are to reach conclusions we should be loath to hold—even about Mr. Moller, who, indeed, has already got himself into sufficiently doubtful waters through his impetuous statements.

Perhaps the most annoying aspect of Mr. Moller's vendetta against the Hongkong Government is the fact that it is utterly futile. It can bring him nothing but odium. Could Mr. Moller's hope that his claims would move the Imperial Government then might he expect some good for himself. But they cannot. Before the Imperial Government could make him any individual concession it must first pay out many million pounds made by ships under control in every part of the world during the war. That is the crucial fact which Mr. Moller wilfully ignores. Hongkong did not requisition his ships; it merely gave its machinery to help the Shipping Controller in time of grave national crisis. Upon what authority? bleats Mr. Moller with monotonous repetition. Puérile question! Upon what authority does an officer on active service destroy a vital bridge? Does he turn round and tell his superior that the bridge belongs to the French, that he must therefore have a legally worded warrant first? Does he refuse to obey until he gets one? This in time of war! Could the Hongkong Government have defied the Shipping Controller's express orders? Perhaps Mr. Moller will reply. But, of course, he won't, for a plain, unequivocal answer would force him to destroy his whole case against Hongkong by laying his grievance at the doors of the Imperial Government, and that in turn would compel him to abandon his most vaunted protest, his supposed crushing charge—Hongkong expressly created the famous indemnity law to kill "our legal proceedings and put us as claimants out of Court."

Again unless Mr. Fletcher is deliberately lying and his documentary evidence is forged, Mr. Moller is hopelessly in the wrong. The indemnity law was passed under express orders from Hongkong as "a matter of Imperial policy" clearly designed to save the Shipping Controller from paying out those same millions which have crushed the life out of Mr. Moller's chance of ever getting any concession from Home. Suppose Mr. Moller's action against the Hongkong Government had been heard, what would have been the result? Yet again unless Mr. Fletcher has lied it would have failed. Mr. Moller would surely have been non-suited and told by a kindly judge that his only claim lay not against Hongkong the agent but against the Imperial Government, which was manifestly the principal. And we have seen what that would have meant. But, as Mr. Moller would say, enough of this. Doubtless he has a very real grievance (along with many other less valuable owners) but what earthly good can he achieve by repeatedly blackguarding Hongkong without the slightest reason or justice? Hound down the Imperial Government, he likes—they are the culprits—but for heaven's sake stop this senseless slander against the Colony and its officials.

Free State Hopes.

Though the poll has proved a disappointment numerically, the Free State election results so far known indicate that Mr. Cosgrave's government has retained its popularity and that the Republican movement has lost a good deal of its punch. It was largely to test this important issue that the elections were hurried on, for the Free State Government wanted to raise a loan and it was obviously necessary first to establish credit and to demonstrate that the forces making for order were well asserted. There seems every likelihood of Mr. Cosgrave's being able to show now that the country is behind him, that the Republican element is dwindling and that the chances of a Labour Government are remote. If he can do that he will be able to get his money very much cheaper and the financial agents of foreign countries will be encouraged to make good the offers they had conditionally proposed to the Free State Government. That all of the Ministers except one should have been re-elected denotes more clearly the measure of confidence in Mr. Cosgrave's administration when it is remembered that their election chances were seriously handicapped by the unpopularity of the stern measures the Government found it necessary to adopt and the fact that the task of getting their respective departments running for the first time after a prolonged revolution left them practically no time for electioneering.

Illuminating.

In the course of our leader to-day, we have said that Mr. Eric Moller has got himself into doubtful waters through his impetuous statements. That this charge was not made without due weight the following little history will show. Addressing the shareholders of the Moller Company in Shanghai, Mr. Moller said: "Immediately upon legal action being taken the Colonial Secretary approached the owners through the Shipowners' Protection Association with a view and a request to stay such legal proceedings for such period as would give him time to communicate with the Home Government with a view of settling the matter amicably, pointing out that it was inadvisable to continue expensive litigation when it was possible to settle the matter otherwise. Unfortunately, your chairman and Mr. S. J. Williamson (the Chairman of the Shipowners' Protection Association) agreed to this request. This was an unfortunate mistake on their part as it gave the Hongkong Government time to prepare and put into effect an effective counter-move to frustrate and forestall the owners' claim. This took the shape of the Indemnity Ordinance, 1922." Dealing with this point and its obvious inference that the legal proceedings caused Mr. Fletcher or the Hongkong Government some perturbation, Mr. Fletcher wrote in his report: Mr. Moller rightly says that the proceedings were commenced in December, 1919, and he has supplied the date of Mr. Fletcher's alleged request in the passage beginning: "Surely Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher cannot forget the interview. The interview took place on the 23rd August, 1920, and Mr. Moller's 'immediately' resolves itself into a period of more than eight months." Mr. Moller now says: "If Mr. Fletcher will only glance at my statement, he will note that he has omitted and overlooked the all important word, 'Almost' before immediate, which quite alters the position, the words which I used being such as might fairly be said to cover the period from end of August to December, the same year." Seeing here a golden opportunity for testing the veracity of one who is making charges we should be reluctant to believe, we have consulted every available newspaper report of the meeting. Alas for Mr. Moller! Not one has the 'almost.' And surely they could not all have erred. Again are inferences too brutally plain for comment.

To-day's Poem.

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And not one shovelful of earth
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and hear the wild birds call,
And wander over hill and plain
and never climb a wall,
Because the land is No Man's Land
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Oh, No Man's Land is all Men's
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In The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

August 30.—Coronet Theatre:
Douglas Fairbanks in "The Mark
Of Zorro."
August 30.—Star Theatre:
Louise Glaum in "The Lone
Wolf's Daughter."
August 30.—World Theatre:
Hoot Gibson in "Shooting for
Love," also New Leather Pushers
No. 11.

SPORT.

August 31 to September 1.—
L.R.C. Annual Aquatic Sports at
V.R.C.

SOCIAL.

September 1.—Promenade Con-
cert at Hongkong Volunteer Parade
Ground, 9.15 p.m.

September 1.—Dinner Dansant
at Repulse Bay Hotel.

August 31.—Lammert Bros., at
their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street,
a quantity of valuable household
furniture, 11 a.m.

August 31.—Lammert Bros., at
their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street,
a valuable collection of Postage
Stamps, 5.15 p.m.

MEETINGS.

August 31.—Hongkong Cricket
League annual meeting at the
Pavilion of the Hongkong Cricket
Club, 5.15 p.m.

December 12.—Meeting of Un-
secured Creditors of the Hong-
kong Branch of the Banque
Industrielle de Chine, at the City
Hall, 3 p.m.

SERVICE.

August 31.—St. John's Cathedral
Memorial Service at 5.30 p.m., in
memory of the victims in the
recent typhoon.

LADY "GORDON ROUGE."

Quite recently in our old Hong,
There came a queer consignment;
A member who'd been waiting long
Out East without assignment.

We learned quite soon 'twixt me
and you!
The reason for his trouble:
His wife had claims to "Royal Blue."
A "Queen" she tried to "double."

Her conversation always dwelt,
On Halls of great dimensions;
And while we listened all we felt
Like zeroes for pretensions.

And so we got the Peamage out,
And asked which family tree
Was hers? And then it came about—
She claimed from Bur-gundy!

She claimed the name of one cham-
pagne,
Which did not seem quite righteous;
And dropped a thing that gave us
pain—
"Twas but one of,—her 'hitches'."

—JOHN KYOTO.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Stubbs Road is closed until
further notice owing to heavy
landslides.

The Green Island Cement
Company, Ltd. announce an
interim dividend of 50 cents per
share payable on and after Sep-
tember 18th.

With wounds in the head in-
flicted by some unknown person,
an Indian guard of the s.s. "Hai
Hong" was taken to hospital for
treatment yesterday.

Owing to opposition by the
Italian Minister to the sale by
auction of the sequestered ex-
posed at a secret conference of the
Peking Cabinet that the vessels be
mortgaged.

On seeing a young Chinese
woman jump into the harbour off
a pier at Ship Street yesterday,
a Chinese member of the Fire
Brigade dived in after her and
successfully brought off a rescue.
It was a case of attempted suicide.

Continuing their search for
smuggled ammunition on board
the French mail steamer "Andre
Lebon" the Shanghai Customs
officials on August 23 discovered a
very large quantity of Mauser and
Cock revolver ammunition in an
air channel leading to the pantry.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The death has occurred at the
German Hospital, Peking, of Mr.
Max Krippendorff, Chancellor of
the German Legation.

Mr. L. Forster, Mr. R. C. Morton,
and Professor G. W. Hendry were
passengers on the "President
Grant" which arrived yesterday.

A Ruter message states that M.
Duyzing, who was killed at Chip-
ping Ongar was editor of the
Dutch Automobile Club organ *Auto*
and had been completing a course
of instruction in flying in England
during his holiday.

S.S. "SUI SANG."

NEW VESSEL LAUNCHED
FOR INDO-CHINA S. N. CO.

Despite the torrential rain this
morning, quite a number of guests
made the journey across the har-
bour to witness the launching of
the single screw steamer "Sui
Sang." The vessel was built at the
Kowloon establishment of the
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock
Co., Ltd. for the Indo-China
Steam Navigation Co. Among the
large gathering present were:
Mr. and Mrs. D. G. M. Bernard,
the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang,
Mr. and Mrs. Barton, Mr.
R. Sutherland, Sir Robert Ho-
Tung, Col. Robertson, Commodore
Grace, Mr. McAlpine, Mr. and Mrs.
Lauder, Mr. Reid (of the Talkoo
Dockyard), Mr. F. James (Superin-
tendent of the China Steam Naviga-
tion Company), Mr. and Mrs. A. B.
Stewart, Captain Wheeler, Captain
Kennedy, and Mrs. Kennedy, Mr.
and Mrs. Todd, Mr. and Mrs.
Piercy, Mr. Cornaby,
Captain Nicol, and Mr. Weill.
Mrs. D. G. M. Bernard performed
the ceremony, the vessel gliding
gracefully off the slip-way to the
accompaniment of much cheering
and cracker-firing.

An adjournment was then made
to the reception room above the
offices where refreshments were
served.

Mr. D. G. M. Bernard in thanking
the guests for their presence des-
pite the wretched weather, said:
Ladies and Gentlemen,

On behalf of the Directors and
Staff of the Dock Co., I wish to
thank you all for honouring us
with your presence to witness the
launch of the steam ship "Sui
Sang." This vessel has been built
to the order of the Indo-China
Steam Navigation Company, and I
feel confident she will prove to be
a most useful and valuable addition
to the Company's fleet. She is
being fitted with most up-to-date
arrangements for handling cargo,
and will also have very excellent
accommodation for passengers. The
"Sui Sang" is destined to run be-
tween Hongkong and Manila, and I
hope some of you who have
witnessed the launching to-day will
take an opportunity of travelling in
her, and testing for yourselves the
behaviour of the ship at sea.

I will now ask you to join me in
wishing success and prosperity to
the s.s. "Sui Sang" and all who
sail in her.

A PRESENTATION.
Mr. G. W. Barton, on behalf of
the Dock Company, in a few well
chosen words thanked Mrs. D. G.
M. Bernard for performing the
launching ceremony. They were
always pleased to see ladies pre-
sent on these occasions, and it gave
him much pleasure, on behalf of
the Directors of the Company, to
present her with a small souvenir
of the occasion. He asked them
all to drink the toast of "Mrs.
D. G. M. Bernard."

After the toast had been hon-
oured, Mr. Bernard, replying on
behalf of his wife, remarked that
all his persuasion had failed to
make the lady rise to the occasion
and reply for herself. However,
she greatly appreciated the hon-
our done to her in asking her to
launch the "Sui Sang," and wished
to express her hearty thanks.

SYMPATHY OVER "LOONG SANG."
The Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang was
the next speaker. He said: Ladies
and Gentlemen,—I have been
invited to reply to the toast of the
"Sui Sang," and it gives me great
pleasure to do so. As a Director of
the Indo-China S. N. Co. for several
years, I can testify to the excellent
construction of the ships that
have been built here for this
Company. The fact that in
addition to the vessel which
has just been launched, there is
another nearing completion
and yet another recently laid down
bears eloquent testimony to the
high opinion my fellow directors
and myself entertain of the quality
of steamer turned out by this
Dockyard.

As Mr. Bernard has said, the
"Sui Sang" will trade between
Hongkong and Manila, and replace
one of the Company's older ships.
She is well suited to that run.

Special arrangements have been
introduced into her design to cope
efficiently with the perishable
goods traffic which we trust will
be appreciated by our Chinese
supporters. Further she is well
fitted as a first class passenger
steamer and having an exception-
ally good turn of speed should
prove popular with the travelling
public.

The s.s. "Loong Sang" which
was sunk in the harbour during the
typhoon of August 18th, was for
many years on this line, and I am
glad of this opportunity to express
the deepest sympathy of the
Directors and General Managers
with those who lost relatives and
friends in that terrible catastrophe.
The General Managers have asked
me to express their thanks and
appreciation of the prompt and
valuable service rendered by the
Naval Authorities on this occa-
sion, and for their invaluable co-
operation in searching for
survivors.

I now want to thank you all for
the kind manner in which you have
responded to the toast of the "Sui
Sang," and will ask you to join me
in wishing all good fortune to her
builders, the Hongkong and

NEW BILLS.

THIS AFTERNOON'S
COUNCIL MEETING.

Several new bills were intro-
duced by the Government at this
afternoon's meeting of the Legis-
lative Council. The first was
designed to amend the law relating
to vaccination, the second to
strengthen the Arms Ordinance,
and the third to authorise the
publication of an edition of the
Ordinances of the Colony to be
known as "The Ordinances of
Hongkong, 1844-1923," and to re-
peal the Statute Law (New Revised
Edition) Ordinance, 1911. The
Council also took the second
reading of a bill to amend the
Crown Rights (Re-entry)
Ordinance 1870 and the second
reading of the bill to authorize
the appropriation of a Supplemen-
tary sum of \$1,508,594.78 to defray
the charges of the year 1922.

ATTENDANCE.

There were present:—
His Excellency the Governor, Sir
R. E. Stubbs, K.C.M.G.

The Acting Colonial Secretary,
the Hon. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher,
C.M.G., O.B.E.

The Attorney-General, the Hon.
Mr. J. H. Kemp, K.C., C.B.E.
Major-General Sir J. S. Fowler,
C.B., K.C.M.G.

The Director of Education, the
Hon. Mr. E. A. Irving.

The Director of Public Works,
the Hon. Mr. H. T. Creasy.

The Colonial Treasurer, the Hon.
Mr. C. McI. Messer.

The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock,
K.C.

The Hon. Mr. A. R. Lowe.

The Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall.

The Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang.

The Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak.

The Hon. Mr. Chan Sin-ki.

Mr. S. B. McElderry, Clerk of
Councils.

The Clerk of Councils tabled the
following order made by the
Governor in Council under section
24 of the Rents Ordinance, 1922,
Ordinance No. 14 of 1922, this 9th
day of August, 1923:—

"It is hereby ordered that the
provisions of the Rents Ordinance,
1922, Ordinance No. 14 of 1922,
shall not apply in the case of the
domestic tenement riding floor,
known as No. 152 Des Vaux Road
Central, situated upon Marine Lot
No. 56, Section B."

Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd. a toast
which was duly honoured.

HEALTH OF GUESTS.

Mr. E. Cock, on behalf of the
builders, said: The Dock Com-
pany and The Indo-China Com-
pany march side by side, and it is
therefore fitting for me to express
to that Company and its officers,
whose gallantry has been shown
in the recent calamities, our sorrow
and our sympathy in the losses of
life and property they have re-
cently sustained.

The last two months have been
very trying for the Dock Com-
pany's staff, who through all and
one and all, have done their best
for the safety and security of the
vessels in their charge, and from
the kind way in which the toast of
the Dock Company has been
accepted, I conclude that our
efforts do not pass unrecognised,
and, on behalf of the staff, I tender
thanks.

It is now my pleasant duty to
ask you to drink the health of our
guests, and I am proud to be able
to couple with this toast, the name
of Commodore Grace, whose in-
terest and geniality is such a
feature of all meetings, whether
concerned with work or play in
Hongkong.

THE COMMODORE REPLIES.

Commodore Grace, in a breezy
speech, replied, on behalf of the
visitors. He expressed his plea-
sure at being asked to reply on
behalf of the guests, as it gave him
an opportunity publicly to thank
the Hon. Mr. Lang for the kind
remarks he had made about what
little help the Navy had been able
to render during the typhoon. The
recent typhoon had clearly de-
monstrated that the most serious
disasters were possible despite
every precaution. Britons had
justly won fame as seamen, and he
trusted they would ever maintain
their name. In these days of skill
and science it was most necessary
that the prestige of the British on
the Sea should be upheld. He felt
certain that it would be so. Science
and skill had, to a certain
extent, removed many of the
dangers of the sea, but those
who went down to the sea in
ships in typhoon-infested waters
were well aware that skill and
science were not all that is neces-
sary. Fine ships similar to that
which they have seen launched that
day, with well disciplined and
well officered crews were also
necessary. Britain's work was not
yet done, and until science and
skill had removed all dangers, the
necessity for well officered and
skillfully handled ships would ever
remain the paramount factor in
saving life at sea.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THOSE MOTOR TRIALS.

(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

Sir,—Since W.Z. and I both propounded identical questions to you, I have been thinking over the possible reasons you had in deciding to publish our respective letters. If I am not too presumptuous in trying to probe into your Editorial mind, I think that in all probability your reasons are somewhat as follows:—

1.—(Regarding W.Z.'s first letter).—
"This painfully ungrammatical letter must have been written by a precocious school boy who loves to see himself in print; it is so involved that I cannot make head nor tail out of it, and do not suppose my readers can; but it would do my readers some good in a place of mental inertia like Hongkong, to have a little mental exercise in trying to understand it; at all events, publication cannot do any harm and may provide a good 'silly season stunt'; so here goes!"

2.—(Regarding my letter).—
"This is rather a staid, harmless and stupid sort of letter, because it has taken W.Z. much too seriously; it might shut W.Z. up if I published it, which would be a great pity. On the other hand it might make W.Z. angry, in which event we shall have more fun. Well, why not risk it?—So here goes!"

Well, Mr. Editor, if your thoughts be anything like those described above, I take off my hat to your Editorial wisdom, because my letter did not shut W.Z. up, but evoked from him a so-called "reply," which, by reason of the intensity of anger he displayed, would have been a little amusing if it were not so manifestly painful!

May I, with due humility, say that I am dazzled by the extraordinary brilliance of W.Z.'s latest literary effort? Its unblushing imitation (or is plagiarism a more correct term?) of the phraseology of my first letter shows W.Z. to be a writer of originality and pluck. Its lucidity of expression, and its rare and long words at once place W.Z. in the front rank of English Stylists!

..... to make the letter less like the *imitations* of is a literary gem! And to speak of one "who can *perpetrate*..... sentences" is really delicious!

And, Mr. Editor,—what is "alleged English"? What is "Nessfieldian"? I do not find the latter word in the English Dictionary, but a friend informs me that there is an English Grammar written by a "Nessfield." If "Nessfieldian" means a student of the Nessfield Grammar, and if W.Z. is such a student, then I have no doubt the learned Author will attain immortal fame by the reflected glory of his wonderful pupil!

Whilst I can appreciate W.Z.'s fine literary style, I cannot congratulate him upon his understanding of another man's writings. Does the sentence "..... to make the letter more understandable to the ordinary intelligent reader even of Board School Education" convey to you, Sir, or to any of your other readers, the impossible idea of a reader reading "a Board School Education"? (And, by the way, can a string of words, without a verb, as in W.Z.'s quotation, be correctly termed a 'sentence' or 'sentences'?)

As regards the concluding part of W.Z.'s letter, I am sorry that W.Z. is still "awaiting an answer" to his question "Why the meeting or the motor cycle *events* was not postponed at the time of the first accident?" I took it to be a mere rhetorical question, to which no answer was expected by W.Z., as, when, in his very next sentence, he passed the deliberate judgment that "the callousness shown reflects on those responsible," I assumed, and did him the justice of assuming, that, in his own mind, there could be no rational answer to his question. I do not wish to discuss the soundness or otherwise of W.Z.'s judgment, since it concerns a matter on which I do not feel qualified to speak. But I submit that the *feeling* that the meeting should have been stopped after (and not "at the time of") the first accident, has been given expression to in the Press—and in more intelligible language, e.g., vide the Leaderette in the issue of the China Mail of 27.8.23, under the heading "Saturday's Tragedies," the language of which I commend to the attention and study of W.Z.

Yours, etc.,

C.H.M.K.K.

Hongkong, August 30.

MORTA TRIAL.

(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

My Reverend Sir,—You paper talks by one man called C.H.M.K.K. Wat for he makes go for W.X.Y.Z. Plenty saucy. Sir, you see, W.X.Y.Z. along my very good friend—also same school. He with me walks from one class to another together. He now blong top side pigdin man, and my only

A LOSING VENTURE.

FURNITURE BUSINESS THAT MISSED FIRE.

RENTS DISPUTE STORY.

The obstacles met with by a Chinese merchant, who left Canton because of the disturbances there and came down to Hongkong with the intention of starting a furniture-making business were related to the Puisse Judge (Mr. Justice Gompertz) in the Summary Court this morning. The parties in the case were Chan Chin, trading as Tai Kee, plaintiff, and the Hang Tai firm, defendants.

Originally the plaintiff claimed a sum of \$838, representing rent alleged to have been paid in excess, possession of the ground floor of 29 Whitfield, Causeway Bay, and damages.

This morning Mr. G. G. N. Tinson who appeared for the plaintiff, said that in view of His Honour's recent decision that there could be no apportionment he had abandoned the first item of his claim (rent paid in excess) and desired leave to amend the writ by making an alternative claim for damages for breach of covenant for "quiet enjoyment."

The Puisse Judge: I gave a judgment the other day which may or may not, of course, be right. But it seems to me that in a statutory tenancy there is no implied covenant for quiet enjoyment. If there is a trespass committed you can get damages for trespass.

Mr. Tinson then applied for and was granted leave to claim damages for trespass.

Outlining his case, Mr. Tinson explained that his client chose Whitfield as the most suitable locality for his projected enterprise because there were no other furniture shops there. He took part of the ground floor of 29 Whitfield at a monthly rental of \$24, paying one month's rent on April 20 last. He then went up to Canton to get *fokis*. At this time he had not entered into possession. Next month after he paid another month's rent, however, he had some bed boards and a desk put in the premises. Afterwards he went to Canton for his *fokis* and while there he received certain information which brought him back to Hongkong. Here he saw a man named Cheung to whom he had paid the rent and was by him informed that no *fokis* were to be allowed to sleep on the premises; nor could any manual labour be done in the shops. As a result of that he was not allowed to go into the premises and this action was commenced after certain correspondence had passed.

After hearing the evidence put forward by Mr. MacCallum for the defence, His Honour suggested a compromise—judgment for possession, both parties to pay their own costs.

Mr. Tinson said he was perfectly agreeable to accept this and the case was adjourned to Saturday to be made by Mr. MacCallum talk the matter over with his clients.

GUILD FUNDS.

INTIMIDATION ALLEGED.

Amusing references to labour guild funds were made in Mr. C. D. Melbourne's court this morning by counsel and bench. The case was one of intimidation alleged to have been used by two young Chinese against an assistant store-keeper employed by Messrs. W. S. Bailey & Co., shipbuilders.

Mr. Bailey was present in court, Mr. T. G. Bennett was for the prosecution and Mr. R. E. A. Webster defended. Mr. Webster stated that he had just been instructed and asked for a remand.

His Worship suggested reducing bail from \$500 to \$250 each but Mr. Bennett opposed reduction saying something about there being big organisations behind the men.

Mr. Webster asked if Mr. Bennett was going to prove this when His Worship intervened to the effect that even if a guild was going to find the money it would make the men attend as they would not like losing their funds. Mr. Bennett agreed that the guild would be annoyed if their money was expropriated and accepted bail in the sum of \$250 each.

Outside the court Mr. Webster's interpreter was surrounded by a number of men and some humorous references were made to 'labour guilds and organisation.'

Apparently without being noticed, a saloon-boy, Porter and Gentry-boy of the s.s. "President Grant" fell overboard yesterday while the ship was near the Lyceum Pass. Fortunately, all three were picked up by a fishing-boat which took the men into Shaughwan.

Along bottom side. All same my say he blong proper first class english skoler.
Yours with Kow Tow,
Yux Su.
Hongkong, August 30.

COUNCIL QUERIES.

HONGKONG'S RUSSIAN REFUGEES.

TYPHOON LIFESAVING MEASURES.

Pertinent questions about the influx of Russian refugees and typhoon life-saving were asked by the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock K.C. at this afternoon's meeting of the Legislative Council.

The Hon. Mr. Pollock asked: 1. With reference to the recent influx of Russian Refugees into this Colony, will the Government state approximately:

(a) How many Russian men, (b) How many Russian women, (c) How many Russian children, have landed in this Colony during the last two months, and also how many of such persons were landed in a destitute condition?

The Colonial Secretary replied: (a) Twenty-five Russian men.

(b) Twenty-nine women. (c) Five families of children landed in the Colony during the period 14th June to 14th August. It is impossible to say how many of these persons can be classed as refugees. Only one person is known to have landed in a destitute condition, and he was returned to Shanghai at the expense of the Shipping Company concerned. During the same period thirty Russian men, nineteen women and four families of children left the Colony. Most of the Russians passing through the Colony are on their way to Australia as immigrants.

2. Will the Government also state whether there is now in this Colony any Consular representative of Russia, and whether such Consular Representative has accepted responsibility for the conduct of such refugees and for their being sent on from this Colony to Europe or elsewhere, and, if so, when?

The Colonial Secretary replied: There is no Russian Consular Representative in the Colony, and no other Consular Representative has accepted responsibility for persons of Russian nationality in the Colony.

3. Generally will the Government state what action it intends to take in regard to such refugees? The Colonial Secretary replied: The situation does not at present appear to call for any special action.

4. Will the Government: (a) Keep a stock of rockets with Life Saving Lines attached at the principal wharves on both the Hongkong and Kowloon sides of the harbour;

(b) Build high-powered Motor Life Boats or high-powered Tugs for saving life in bad weather;

(c) Form a Life Saving Corps, consisting partly of Government officials, and partly of others who are not in the Government Service and who are willing to be enrolled for Life Saving Service in typhoons.

The Colonial Secretary replied: (A) A similar proposal was made in consequence of the typhoon of 1906, and after careful consideration and consultation with the Commodore it was decided that a rocket life saving apparatus would not serve a useful purpose.

The conformation of the harbour is such that vessels swept from their anchorage in typhoon are ordinarily stranded in positions from which there is direct access to the shore or where there is no danger of breaking up from the action of the sea. In a case such as that of the s.s. "Loong Sang," where a vessel drifts at a rapid pace and finally sinks, a rocket apparatus would be useless as the ship must be stationary to allow of the hawser being set up.

A Committee appointed in 1920, "To consider the question of making provision for the protection of life and property in the harbour during typhoon weather" did not see fit to recommend the use of a rocket apparatus.

There were no circumstances connected with the recent typhoon which, in the opinion of the Government, call for a reconsideration of this matter.

(b) The proposal for the provision of a high-powered life boat has been considered on former occasions and has been rejected. The Committee of 1913 recorded the opinion that there was no work within the scope of a life-boat which could not equally well be carried out by tugs and launches provided with life-lines.

An arrangement was made in the year 1920 with the Naval Authorities, whereunder, when there are immediate prospects of the weather conditions becoming so bad as to place native craft in danger of being unable to make shelter on their own account, two Naval tugs are made available to assist to tow such craft to shelter. The Government will give further consideration to the question of the use of tugs for the purpose of saving life during a typhoon.

(c) A Volunteer corps for saving life in typhoons was established in 1872, and it was re-established after the typhoon of 1908. The movement died out as soon as the first enthusiasm was gone, and there is no record of any useful work done by the corps.

In view of this experience the Government considers that it would be useless to make further experiments in this direction.

POTTED WISDOM.

THE FLIRT'S "BOOK OF PROVERBS."

- 1 All that matters may be told.
- 2 By their suits ye shall know them.
- 3 Like time and tide,—wait for no man.
- 4 It is certainly more blessed to receive.
- 5 Life is just one darn girl after another—man.
- 6 It's a poor fool you can't work both ways.
- 7 Don't count your diamonds till they're matched.
- 8 Any woman can teach these old dogs new tricks.
- 9 Every dog has his day—and every man his day off.
- 10 Procrastination is the chief use of time.

These bits of wisdom are from "The Flirt's Book of Proverbs," suggested by Booth Tarkington's masterpiece, "The Flirt," the film version of which comes to the World Theatre soon.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

AMERICAN & ORIENTAL LINE.

From NEW YORK.

THE Steamship

"MINERIC" having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 6th September, 1923, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before 12th September, 1923, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on 5th September, 1923, at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

THE BANK LINE LTD.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 30th August, 1923.

For a Weak Stomach.
As a general rule all you need to do is to adopt a diet suited to your age and occupation and to keep your bowels regular. When you feel that you have eaten too much and when you anticipate take one of Chamberlain's Tablets. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

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Fancy or Evening Dress Optional.

Full Jazz Orchestra (16 Instruments.)

Dancing 8 p.m. to midnight.

Special car to the Peak at 12.30.

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REPULSE BAY HOTEL.

Owing to heavy landslides along the road, the reopening of the Repulse Bay Hotel has been postponed until further notice.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL CO., LTD.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.



HONGKONG TECHNICAL INSTITUTE.

SHORTHAND.

CLASSES in Shorthand will open on MONDAY, 3rd September. Applicants should attend at Queen's College, Room 7 on that date. at 6 p.m.

Only those can be admitted who have a good knowledge of English. Hongkong, 30th August, 1923.

NOTICE.

OWING to the inclemency of the weather the Lusitano Recreation Club's Aquatic Sports are postponed to a future date to be advertised later.

M. F. BAPTISTA,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 30th August, 1923.



I am Coming Soon!

TO SECRETARIES OF CLUBS AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS.

ALL preliminary notices of forthcoming meetings, lectures and entertainments, sent for insertion in the news columns of the China Mail, are charged for at the rate of \$1 each, (as announced in May and June of 1922) providing that they do not occupy more than four lines. In future if this space is exceeded they will be placed in the advertising columns at the prevailing rates.

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STOWAWAYS.

INTERESTING CASE IN
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Some interesting legal points with regard to stowaways were brought out in a case before Mr. J. R. Wood yesterday afternoon wherein Patrick O'Grady, 23, of Ireland, and Robert Spears, 21, of the Isle of Man, were charged with secreting themselves on board the "President Pierce" without the consent of the master of the vessel. Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted. He asked for the withdrawal of the charge and permission to substitute it by one to the effect that the defendants arrived in the Colony by the "President Pierce" on the 28th, inst., having obtained a passage therein without the consent of the authorities of the ship.

The Magistrate advised the defendants to plead not guilty and asked Mr. Hazlerigg to prove his case. Mr. Hazlerigg said the defendants were found on the "President Pierce" on the 22nd, while the ship was on the high seas between here and Manila. On the arrival of the vessel in Hongkong on Tuesday, they were handed over to the Water Police as being stowaways. They were found on board by the store steward. On being questioned the defendants said they had boarded the "President Pierce" at Hongkong.

When asked by the Magistrate the defendants admitted that what had been said by the Assistant Crown Solicitor was true. Mr. Hazlerigg further stated that when the "President Pierce" arrived at Manila, the American authorities refused the defendants permission to land. Mr. Hazlerigg, however, was reluctant to allow the Magistrate to record that statement as part of the facts of the case, as it was only hearsay.

NO JURISDICTION.
Patrick O'Grady, when asked by the Magistrate what actually happened at Manila, said the British Consul came on board the "President Pierce" and told him and Spears that they might be allowed to land to work their passages to Australia and said he would come back to see them again. The Consul, however, did not keep his word.

At this stage Mr. Hazlerigg asked that the charge be amended to one of the defendants being found on board the "President Pierce" on the high seas on the 22nd with intent to obtain a passage therein without the consent of the owners, agents, master or anyone in charge thereof.

Mr. Hazlerigg based his case on the contention that though the finding of the defendants was not made within the waters of the Colony the point of the jurisdiction of the Court did not arise on the ground that the discovery was the culmination of the offence. Mr. Hazlerigg quoted authorities on that point.

After some discussion the Magistrate held that if a man was brought back compulsorily from Manila as in the present case and under similar circumstances there was no offence. The same applied to cases in which the men were found outside the waters of the Colony.

The Magistrate, to Sub-Inspector Spear: "These men have no resources?—No."

The Magistrate told defendants that as they were not found in the harbour of Hongkong they were not liable to a conviction in this Court. He ordered Sub-Inspector Spear to take both defendants to the Seamen's Institute and said they could stay there for two days under his responsibility.

George Wong, 21, of Honolulu, and Juan Separa, 16, a student of Cebu, were charged to six weeks' hard labour by Mr. J. R. Wood yesterday, for stowing away to Hongkong by the same steamer on the 21st August.

Y. M. C. A.**ACTIVE ACTIVITIES.**

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CAPTAIN BLAXLAND.

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The many friends in the East of Captain Blaxland will be interested to hear that he was in command of the Southern Railway Company's steamer "Biarritz" which was chosen to convey H. M. King George and Queen Mary across the Channel when they visited Italy a few weeks ago. Hongkong will cherish the reflected honour of the safety of Their Majesties being placed in the hands of Capt. Blaxland, who learnt about the sea in the old clipper ships and later had much experience in these waters when sailing between Hongkong and Manila in command of the s.s. "Ruby" and "Zafiro." These vessels were owned by the Philippines Steam Ship Co., for whom Messrs. Sheehan Tonnes were local agents.

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It is possible for a man to be morally brave and yet to be the victim of circumstances controlling his physical being which make him a coward in the eyes of the fellow men. This is dramatically revealed in "Shootin' for Love," a Universal photoplay starring Hoot Gibson, which had its first local showing at the World Theatre last night. The story has its setting in the Texas cattle country and involves the experiences of Duke Trairs, a cowboy son of a Texas cattleman of the old school, who has just returned from a sojourn with the A.E.F. in the World War. The youth saw action in some of the most bitter engagements in the western front, but never received a scratch, except one that was hidden, though indelibly stamped within his being "shell-shock." Duke returned and was greeted in a regular manner. When they were alone in the ranch house the old cattleman told his son of his trouble with Randolph and asked the boy to buckle on his "six-gun" and force a fighting show down with the rival ranch on the owner on the water question. A chance revolver shot near Duke threw him into uncontrollable panic of fear and he ran from the scene like a boy from a bee's nest. How the youth misunderstood the position presents one of the most human and realistic stories ever written.

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CHINESE IN SPORT.**SOCCER TEAM ARRIVES.****APPEAL TO AUSTRALIANS.**

Sydney's Chinese community, including the pretty girls, was at the wharf to-day to meet the Chinese Soccer team, says the Sydney Sun.

There are 17 members of the team. One is a giant in height. The majority are University students. One player is described as a hand assistant, one a dairy merchant, and another as a laundry proprietor.

"Our Soccer players will have to be at their best to beat them," said an Australian passenger by the "Yoshino Maru."
"I appeal to sporting people to desist making any remarks which may be misunderstood," said Mr. H. A. Millard, who spent eight months in China organising the team, and travelled with the footballers to Australia.

"They would not understand that Australians meant no harm by the frequent use of words we are accustomed to use towards Orientals in our midst," Mr. Millard went on. "I trust that this appeal will not fall on deaf ears."

Speaking on behalf of the Chinese manager, Mr. Mok Hing, Mr. Millard said: "I desire to point out to the sporting fans of Australia that the Chinese team is not out with the sole object of conquest. While they are prepared to put forth their best efforts to gain the ascendancy, still they are imbued with a bigger idea than winning or losing a match. They will accept defeat in the true sporting spirit, and will rejoice over their victories in the modest manner which becomes true sportsmen."

"They are all temperate lads. Only one-fifth of the members of the team are smokers. They are clean living and physically fit."

CHINESE ARE WORTHY.

"These lads realise that they are ambassadors for their country. They wish to dispel the idea that the Chinese are not worthy."

The Chinese team was vigorously applauded by local Soccer enthusiasts as the "Yoshino Maru" came into the wharf.
Mr. Millard is convinced that the appearance and behaviour of the members of the team will be a pleasurable surprise to Australians. Leung Yuk-tong is the captain. Among those on the wharf were Dr. Joshua Young-wai, Messrs. H. M. Nunn, Sydney Lowe, G. Chee, C. W. Lee, Otto Kong-sing, and T. J. Law.

"POUND OF FLESH."**ALLEGED ATTACK ON
MONEYLENDER.**

Further evidence was heard by Mr. J. R. Wood yesterday afternoon in the case in which a Chinese chauffeur, previously employed by the Hongkong Hotel Co., was charged with attempting to murder Pala Singh on July 26. Complainant is a registered moneylender and a watchman employed by Messrs. A. S. Watson and Co. He testified to getting judgment against defendant last year and gave detailed account of negotiations and conversation leading to the alleged attack on the Shaikwan Road. The Indian concluded his evidence by saying that after he had been stabbed, he pulled the dagger out of his right side, made his way to Causeway Bay where he collapsed and was carried into the French hospital.

The case was then adjourned to allow Dr. Strahan and Mr. Pittendrigh to give evidence.

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LAUNCH DISASTER.**ENQUIRY COMMISSION'S
REPORT.****CARGO PEOPLE BLAMED.**

The inquiry into the circumstances attending the capsizing of the steam launch "Fei Din Yat," having been completed, the report was laid before the Legislative Council this afternoon. The report which is signed by Commander C. W. Beckwith (Chairman), W. Davidson and F. W. James, reads as follows:—
We, the Members of the Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor to enquire into and report on the circumstances attending the capsizing of Steam Launch "Fei Din Yat" on the 8th July, 1923, have accordingly the honour to submit the following Report, together with recommendations in relation thereto. We are of opinion that this Commission of Enquiry had three main objects, viz:—

1. To endeavour to ascertain what caused Steam Launch "Fei Din Yat" to capsize in the South Southern Fairway of Hongkong Harbour at 12.30 p.m. on 8th July, 1923, as a result of which some twenty-five persons lost their lives.

2. To examine into and report if this launch was a good and proper launch for the service she was engaged in, up to July 8, 1923.

3. To make practical suggestions and recommendations with a view to preventing if possible, a recurrence of such a disaster.

CAUSE OF CAPSIZING.

1. We find that the capsizing of this launch was due to the following reasons:—
(a) A large number of passengers with their baggage collected on the starboard side preparatory to leaving the launch which was then lying stopped in the Southern Fairway off Salt Fish Lane.

(b) A number of cargo dealers with their coolies came on board over the starboard side at the same as the passengers were preparing to leave.

The effect of this was to cause the launch to list heavily to starboard and to ship a large amount of water with the result that she lost her stability and sank almost immediately.

As far as can be ascertained, the launch was carrying not more than eighty passengers (which is some fifty less than the maximum allowed by her licence) and fifty piculs of cargo consisting of lichees, vegetables and salt fish.

We are of opinion that this amount was not excessive, and that in all probability the disaster would have been averted had it not been for the action of the cargo dealers and their coolies.

STABILITY.

2. All the technical evidence goes to prove that this launch had exceptionally good stability with a large righting movement thus making her safe but uncomfortable in a seaway owing to quick roll.

3. (a) Under existing regulations, any launch or ship under 60 tons holding a passenger licence is entitled to carry passengers outside the Harbour Limits according to the number specified in her licence.
We are of opinion that in future, launches carrying passengers to places outside the Harbour Limits should be tested for stability, and if necessary ballasted in order to give them a greater margin of safety.

We consider this necessary because of the common practice of Chinese passengers to huddle together in any one place to avoid wind, rain or sun.

(b) All direct openings to the Engine Room or "Tween Deck" spaces should be provided with effective water tight coamings to prevent the ingress of water under normal conditions.

(c) No passenger carrying launch should in future be permitted to embark or disembark passengers, or to load or unload cargo, in any fairway or at any fairway or at any place other than at a wharf, pier, or ship, or at such place as the Harbour Master may direct.

THE PHIL.**GETTING READY.**

It is proposed to give the first Concert of the Season on Tuesday December 18, in, probably, St. George's Hall. Should circumstances warrant it the programme will be repeated later in Kowloon. Rehearsals for chorus commence on Monday September 17 and each Monday following in the Cathedral Hall. Those for Orchestra on Fridays. The Society desires to be representative of the community and there are vacancies in the Chorus and Orchestra, whilst the addition of ordinary members is desired. The Hon. Secy, Mr. S. Colek, 9 care of the Naval Yard will gladly supply full particulars of the Society.

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COLONY'S FINANCES.**WHERE THE MONEY
GOES.****LATEST COUNCIL VOTES.**

The following financial minutes submitted by H. E. Governor were considered by the Finance Committee following this afternoon's meeting of the Legislative Council:—
\$30,000 in aid of the vote Kowloon-Canton Railway, special expenditure, accident, Mile 10½.
\$199,480.10 on account of miscellaneous services, loss on subsidiary coin.
\$115,000 in aid of the vote Public Works, Extraordinary, Kowloon, Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903, (88) compensation and resumptions.

\$100,000 in aid of the vote Public Works, Extraordinary, Hongkong, Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903, (43) compensation and resumptions.
\$26,000 in aid of the vote Public Works, Extraordinary, Hongkong, (64) Praya East Reclamation Scheme, (a) Contribution by Government towards Fund for Reclamation.

\$40,000 in aid of the vote Public Works, Extraordinary, miscellaneous, (81) filling in tidal flat and cutting down hill between Tai-koktsui and Fuk Tsun Heung.
\$3,000 in aid of the vote Medical Department, Civil Hospital, other charges, medicines and surgical appliances.

\$15,000 on account of Kowloon-Canton Railway, special expenditure, Chinese traffic staff quarters.
\$4,000 on account of Public Works, Extraordinary, Hongkong, buildings, alterations to Beaconsfield Arcade for S.C.A.

\$500 in aid of the vote Imports and Exports Department, other charges, transport.
\$1,500 in aid of the vote Public Works, Extraordinary, New Territories, communications, (101) roads, (b) Tai-po to Shun Wan Road.

\$7,000 on account of Harbour Master's Department, special expenditure, new buoys.
\$3,800 on account of the following votes:—
Kowloon-Canton Railway, special expenditure:—
Siding and crossover at Bridge No. 7 ... \$3,500.00
Trap points at Tai-po Market Station ... 300.00
\$3,800.00

\$1,100 in aid of the vote Kowloon-Canton Railway, special expenditure, additional machine for workshops.

HONGKONG TYPHOON.**INDO-CHINA GOVERNOR'S
SYMPATHY.**

From the Colonial Secretary we have received the following letter sent by the French Consul-General and the Hon. Mr. Fletcher's reply thereto:—

Consulat de France,
A Hongkong,
27 Aout, 1923.

Monsieur le Secrétaire Colonial,
J'ai l'honneur de vous faire connaître que S. E. le Gouverneur Général de l'Indochine vient de me charger de transmettre à Son Excellence le Gouverneur le témoignage de sympathie du Gouvernement Général de l'Indochine à l'occasion des pertes éprouvées par la Colonie de Hongkong à la suite du typhon du 18 de ce mois.

Il m'est agréable de vous faire part de ce témoignage de sympathie que je vous serais très reconnaissant de vouloir bien transmettre à Son Excellence Sir Reginald Stubbs.

Veuillez agréer, Monsieur le Secrétaire Colonial, les assurances de ma haute considération.

(Sd.) PAUL KREMER.
Monsieur le Secrétaire Colonial
Hongkong.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong,
29th August, 1923.

Sir,—With reference to your letter of the 27th August, His Excellency the Governor desires me to inform you that he has received with very great pleasure the kind message of sympathy from His Excellency the Governor-General of Indo-China with regard to the losses sustained by the Colony in the recent typhoon.

The Colony of Hongkong deeply appreciates this indication of the friendship and good-will of the Government of Indo-China and I am to request that you will be so good as to inform His Excellency the Governor-General accordingly.

I avail myself of the opportunity to assure you of my highest consideration.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
(Sd.) M. FLETCHER,
Colonial Secretary.

Paul Kremer, Esq.,
Consul for France,
Hongkong.

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CHINESE FOOTBALLERS.**AUSTRALIAN WELCOME.**

Australian papers to hand contain accounts of the landing of the Chinese football team of players. One paper has a decidedly happy photograph of the team doing head-work with the following remarks:—

"These athletic-looking chaps are cultured Chinese students and merchants who are going to play their first match (Soccer) against a metropolitan side at the Show-ground on Saturday. They stripped this morning, and showed remarkable skill and pace. They revel in 'air work' as their expressions show. They are waiting for that ball, and when it comes down they're going to punch and kick it till they're tired."

STAMPLESS.**LOCAL FIRM FINED.**

A prosecution which is not as frequent as hitherto was taken out against Messrs. Reuter Brockelmann & Co., agents for the "Hugo Stinnes S.S. Line and heard by Mr. C. D. Melbourne, yesterday. Detective Sergeant Neal was in charge; the offence being one of failing to fix a proper embossed stamp on a bill of lading. A representative of the firm appeared in court and explained that the commission was due to a mistake by a young clerk just fresh from school, who had put on the document postage stamps to the proper value. His Worship imposed a fine of \$5.

RAILWAY CONSOLIDATION.

IMPORTANT ACT.

NEW YORK, August 20. A modified censorship, it is stated, is being enforced in Havana in consequence of the situation which has arisen. The railway consolidation bill has been passed by the Cuban representatives. The bill provides for elimination of many small American owned railways requiring all shipments to be made over national railways to twenty-five designated ports. American sugar merchants have filed a protest to the State Department declaring the measure confiscatory. The State Department has asked the Cuban Government to delay further action until American interests have been given an opportunity of presenting a case. —*Reuter*.

TURKISH RAILWAY.

DELAY IN STARTING.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Aug. 30. Angora newspapers express surprise that hitherto no news has come from America regarding the departure of the technical staff to begin to start work on the Sam-sun Sivas railway which under the Chester concessions must be begun October 1. New York sources, explaining reasons of the delay, say Chester and his associates recently agreed to arbitration between themselves and a Canadian group interested in the concessions. According to the *Evening Post* arbitrators decided that the Chester group must accept \$300,000, and withdraw all connection with the scheme but in the event of the Canadian group failing to pay the sum within ninety days they forfeit to the Chester group all rights and concessions. —*Reuter*.

AUSTRALIAN COTTON.

BRIGHT PROSPECTS.

MELBOURNE, August 30. The Government's cotton adviser who has toured Queensland, reports the territory suitable for cotton-growing. He considers a year's test sufficiently encouraging to warrant an extension with promise of profitable crops. Labour presents difficulties but the adviser recommends mixed farming, including cotton. Brisbane's Minister of Agriculture has arranged a small shipment of Queensland cotton to Kobe to test the Japanese market. —*Reuter*.

STEAMER LOST.

MOLLER VESSEL MISSING SINCE AUGUST 23.

Shanghai, August 30:—The steamer "Mylie," belonging to the Eric Moller Co., which was bound from Chinwangtao for Shanghai with a cargo of coal is believed to have sunk with all hands in a gale on August 23. The vessel carried 6 foreign officers and 60 Chinese. Yesterday, the salvage tug, which had been despatched to The Saddle, where the "Mylie" was last seen driving helplessly before the gale towards The Saddle, reported that no trace of the vessel had been found. —*Reuter*.

COMING!

GERMAN COMMUNISM.

MOSCOW, August 30. The conditions in Germany seem ripe for Communism according to a report of the German Communist leader Hamer, which was discussed at a special meeting of the executive committee of the Communist International Committee and which also decided to grant Hamer's appeal for help.

HOLLAND'S QUEEN.

ACCESSION CELEBRATIONS.

THE HAGUE, August 30. At the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Queen's accession, the Queen gave audience to members of the diplomatic corps, several of whom brought presents. The Chinese Minister conferred upon Her Majesty the Grand Cross of the Order of Merit.

HOTEL HAPPENINGS.

GAY PROGRAMME.

Saturday next should be one of the best in the annals of Hongkong, for the Hotel Company announce a Carnival with special dinner dansant in the Grill room. Fancy or evening dress is optional. There will be jazz music by a band of 16 performers. Tables can now be booked and no time should be lost.

Owing to the inclement weather the Lusitano Recreation Club's sports are postponed.

At No. 25 bridge on the Kowloon-Canton Railway yesterday, a Chinese woman was accidentally killed by the 8.45 p.m. up-train from Kowloon. The bridge is near Tai-po.

ARMS LAW.

MAKING THE PENALTIES HEAVIER.

GOVERNOR'S REMARKS.

Proposing the first reading of the new arms law in the Legislative Council this afternoon, the Attorney-General said that there was at present a great quantity of arms and ammunition in the Colony which were not held under licenses and the seriousness of this must be obvious to everybody. He went on to explain the effect of the proposed amendments after which the motion was seconded by the Colonial Secretary and unanimously carried.

The Hon. Mr. Pollock proposed that His Excellency should be asked to declare that an emergency existed and that it was in the public interest that the standing rules of the Council should be suspended in order that the bill might be carried through all stages at this sitting.

His Excellency said he had no hesitation in declaring that an emergency did exist on the ground that violent crime was increasing and should be diminished.

The resolution having been carried unanimously, the Hon. Mr. Kotewall suggested the Government should arrange with local shipping companies to have notices exhibited in ships coming to Hongkong warning passengers against bringing arms into the Colony. He pointed out that many Chinese returning from abroad brought arms with them for self-protection, in ignorance of the law.

His Excellency said that such notices were now in the hands of the translator and would be circulated to the shipping companies and to the authorities of the ports from which steamers came to the Colony.

His Excellency added that his experience was that there were few things about which people were more careless than the custody of firearms and he had no doubt many people in the Colony were in possession of revolvers which they had no intention of using and were in their possession because they had had them for years and had never taken the trouble to get rid of them. His Excellency emphasised the danger of such weapons getting into bad hands and asked that if people found themselves to be in possession of revolvers for which they did not wish to take out a licence they would surrender them at once to the nearest police station. No questions were asked as to the time the revolvers were in their possession without a licence. He trusted the members of the press would bring this to the notice of the public, with this addition that for the next week or ten days the Government would be happy to receive and destroy any weapons which people had no further use for and after that time the Ordinance would be rigidly enforced.

The bill was then passed through all stages.

HEAVY RAINS.

CONTINUED DELUGE.

In spite of the continued rains last night and to-day, no further reports of serious damage or collapse have been made. It was rumoured in police circles this morning that a small part of a house at Third Street had given way in the small hours of the morning and that another house in Canton Road had cracks in the wall necessitating immediate shoring but these have not been officially confirmed.

This morning, the motor-ambulance and three P.W.D. lorries proceeded to the eastern part of the town, possibly to clear up yesterday's havoc.

For the 24 hours ending at 10 this morning the Observatory rainfall is 1.91 inches giving a total of 75.24 inches for the year against an average of 65.56 inches. The forecast is South-West winds, fresh; squally, overcast; rain.

WATER POLO LEAGUE.

Despite the rain, the management of the Hongkong Water Polo League are keeping fairly up to date with the competition. On Tuesday night in the V.R.C. Pool three games were played. The W.A.C. defeated R.G.A. (B) by 12 to nil; the L.R.C. and V.R.C. (B) played a draw of 3 goals all; and the V.R.C. (A) defeated the K.B.S.F.P.A. by 4-1. Last night, Mr. G. T. May again had three games to referee. The R.G.A. (A) defeated King's B. 6-1; King's (A) vanquished the R.A.M.C. by 6-0; and the U.A.C. proved too strong for the V.R.C. (B), inflicting a 7-0 defeat.

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The subscription list for the new Tug and Lighter Co., the prospectus for which appears in our advertising columns, has now closed. As reported yesterday, the list is over-subscribed.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS AND PASSENGERS.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.

CHINA COAST, ETC.

SWATOW.

Aug. 31.—C. N. Kaiying.
31.—D. T. Hsiching.
Sept. 2.—O.S.K. Amakusa Maru.
2.—I.O.S.N. Loksang.
3.—I.O.S.N. Hsiaoang.
4.—I.O.S.N. Hsiaoang.
6.—C. N. Suniaok.

AMOI.

Aug. 31.—D. L. Hsiching.
31.—B. T. Hsiching.
Sept. 3.—O.S.K. Amakusa Maru.
4.—D. L. Hsiching.

FOOCHOW.

Aug. 31.—D. L. Hsiching.
Sept. 4.—D. L. Hsiching.

SHANGHAI.

Aug. 31.—T.K.K. Shinyo Maru.
Sept. 1.—P. & O. Ritsa.
2.—C. N. Soochow.
2.—L. T. Rosandra.
3.—I.O.S.N. Taihoku Maru.
3.—I.O.S.N. Taihoku Maru.
3.—N.Y.K. Nagano Maru.
3.—E. L. Kessara.
3.—N.Y.K. Awa Maru.
4.—C. N. Kaichow.
4.—C.P.S. Shidzuka Maru.
5.—C.P.S. Empress of Asia.
6.—C. N. Empress.
7.—A.O.L. Pros. Grant.
8.—P. & O. Harada.
12.—N.Y.K. Kiyoko Maru.
13.—N.Y.K. Kiyoko Maru.
14.—J.C.L. Taitaro Maru.
17.—P. & O. Pros. Grant.
18.—A.O.L. Pros. Grant.
22.—C.P.S. Empress of Canada.
22.—P. & O. Nellore.
Oct. 1.—A.O.L. Taiyo Maru.
1.—A.O.L. Veneri.
2.—L. T. Veneri.
2.—C.P.S. Empress of Russia.
25.—T.K.K. Tenjo Maru.
13.—A.O.L. Pros. Grant.
14.—P. & O. Pros. Grant.
25.—A.O.L. Korea Maru.
Nov. 1.—T.K.K. Empress of Asia.
1.—C.P.S. Empress of Canada.
29.—C.P.S. Empress of Russia.
Dec. 1.—B. B. C. Lopez Y Lopez.

KEELUNG.

Aug. 31.—T.K.K. Shinyo Maru.
Sept. 3.—O.S.K. Amakusa Maru.
2.—I.O.S.N. Loksang.
Nov. 1.—T.K.K. Korea Maru.

TAKAO.

Sept. 3.—O.S.K. Toyen Maru.
Sept. 2.—C. N. Soochow.

TSINGTAO.

Sept. 4.—C. N. Huichow.

WEIHAIWEI.

Sept. 4.—C. N. Huichow.

TIENSIN.

Sept. 1.—I.O.S.N. Chongchong.
4.—C. N. Huichow.

HOIHOW.

Sept. 5.—I.O.S.N. Chinhua.
7.—I.O.S.N. Legsang.

HAIKONG.

Sept. 7.—I.O.S.N. Legsang.

SAIGON.

Sept. 1.—O.S.K. Busho Maru.

BANGKOK.

Sept. 1.—O.S.K. Busho Maru.
2.—I.O.S.N. Kiangsu.
3.—I.O.S.N. Chongchong.
5.—I.O.S.N. Rintank.
20.—E. A. Banks.

SINGAPORE.

Aug. 31.—O. N. Kaiying.
Sept. 1.—P. & O. City of Glasgow.
2.—B. I. Japan.
2.—O.S.K. Busho Maru.
2.—L. T. Trieste.
3.—K.P.M. Van Cloon.
16.—B. I. Korea Maru.
5.—C. N. Chinhua.
7.—P. & O. Macedonia.
8.—B. F. Patroclus.
11.—B. I. Janus.
11.—U.S.S.B. West Carmona.
17.—N.Y.K. Fusho Maru.
17.—B. I. Isla de Panay.
18.—N.Y.K. Honolulu Maru.
18.—O.S.K. London Maru.
18.—G. L. Glondia.
18.—B. F. Ludwighafen.
20.—B. F. Rt. Templar.
20.—P. & O. Sicilia.
21.—P. & O. Dongola.
21.—B. I. Tenda.
22.—B. I. Master.
22.—B. I. Tenda.
Oct. 1.—B. F. Promethens.
5.—P. & O. Mantua.
6.—B. F. Ision.
12.—B. F. Agapeur.
12.—N.D.L. Foudan.
17.—P. & O. Karmala.
19.—P. & O. Phenilus.
20.—B. F. Sicilia.
23.—P. & O. Zephor.
26.—B. F. Donola.
28.—B. I. Janus.
Nov. 1.—B. B. Legaspi.
2.—P. & O. Kalyon.
2.—P. & O. Calcedonia.
3.—B. F. Nellore.
4.—P. & O. Taitaro.
10.—B. F. Taitaro.
15.—E. A. Chile.
16.—P. & O. Malwa.
30.—P. & O. Kalyon.
Dec. 11.—B. F. Sarpedon.
12.—E. A. Malaya.
13.—P. & O. Soudan.
14.—P. & O. Devanah.
15.—B. B. C. Lopez Y Lopez.
28.—P. & O. Kaiser Hind.
Jan. 10.—E. A. Asia.
11.—P. & O. Kiyon.
21.—P. & O. Macedonia.
22.—P. & O. Kaishan.
22.—P. & O. Mores.
Mar. 2.—P. & O. Nellore.
21.—P. & O. Delta.
18.—P. & O. China.
May 2.—P. & O. Kalyon.
16.—P. & O. Kaishan.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, ETC.

MANILA.

Aug. 31.—I.O.S.N. Shinyo Maru.
31.—T.K.K. Easton.
Sept. 1.—E. & A. West Carmona.
8.—U.S.S.B. Pros. Madison.
10.—A. O. L. West Carmona.
17.—B. I. Albert Vogler.
18.—N.Y.K. Taitaro Maru.
21.—A.O.L. Pros. McKinley.
26.—T.K.K. Taiyo Maru.
Oct. 6.—H.A.L. Oldenburg.
6.—E. & A. Arifora.
17.—H.A.L. Yoshino Maru.
20.—B. I. Ori Legion.
Nov. 1.—T.K.K. Korea Maru.
1.—B. B. Legaspi.
Dec. 19.—B. B. C. Lopez Y Lopez.

CERU, ILOILO & ZAMBOANGA.

Sept. 11.—U.S.S.B. West Carmona.

SANDAKAN.

Sept. 1.—E. & A. Easton.

JAYA PORTS, ETC.

Sept. 3.—N.Y.K. Bandoeng Maru.
3.—N.Y.K. Bandoeng Maru.
8.—J.C.L. Tjibodas.
9.—J.C.L. Tjibodas.
10.—T.K.K. Tjibodas.
14.—J.C.L. Tjibodas.
21.—T.K.K. Tjibodas.
21.—N.Y.K. Tjibodas.

INDIAN PORTS, ETC.

Aug. 31.—I.O.S.N. Fooksang.
Sept. 2.—R. I. Japan.
4.—P. M. Lake Gitanco.
11.—B. I. Janus.
12.—P. & O. Honolulu Maru.
14.—I.O.S.N. Taitaro Maru.
23.—B. I. Taitaro.
28.—B. I. Taitaro.

PENANG.

Sept. 2.—R. I. Japan.
2.—L. T. Trieste.
3.—P. M. Van Cloon.
4.—O.S.K. Argon Maru.
7.—P. & O. Macedonia.
11.—B. I. Janus.
24.—P. & O. Sicilia.
24.—B. I. Tenda.
Oct. 17.—P. & O. Soudan.
22.—P. & O. Sicilia.
Dec. 13.—P. & O. Soudan.

BOMBAY AND COLOMBO.

Sept. 2.—L. T. Trieste.
4.—O.S.K. Argon Maru.
7.—P. & O. Macedonia.
12.—B. I. Isla de Panay.
19.—N.D.L. Ludwighafen.
20.—O.S.K. Andes Maru.
20.—P. & O. Sicilia.
Oct. 2.—P. & O. Mantua.
15.—N.D.L. West.
17.—P. & O. Sicilia.
Nov. 1.—B. B. Legaspi.
30.—P. & O. Kalyon.
Dec. 13.—P. & O. Soudan.
28.—B. I. C. Lopez Y Lopez.
28.—B. I. Kaiser Hind.

AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

Sept. 1.—F. A. Eastern.
4.—C. N. Linsam.
10.—N.Y.K. Taitaro Maru.

Oct. 6.—E. & A. Arifora.
17.—N.Y.K. Yoshino Maru.
Nov. 3.—E. & A. St. Albans.
Dec. 1.—E. & A. Rintank.
Jan. 6.—E. & A. Arifora.
Feb. 2.—E. & A. St. Albans.

JAPAN PORTS.

Aug. 31.—B. I. Taitaro.
31.—T.K.K. Shinyo Maru.
31.—B. F. Mentor.
Sept. 2.—N.Y.K. Taitaro Maru.
2.—Y. T. Rosandra.
3.—N.Y.K. Awa Maru.
3.—N.Y.K. Nagano Maru.
3.—P. I. Yashima.
6.—N.Y.K. Shidzuka Maru.
6.—O.P.S. Empress of Asia.
7.—A. O. L. Pros. Grant.
7.—B. I. Tenda.
11.—E. & A. Arifora.
12.—N.Y.K. Ritsa Maru.
12.—O.S.K. Fusho Maru.
13.—N.Y.K. Yoshino Maru.
15.—T.K.K. Shidzuka Maru.
15.—P. I. Pros. Madison.
19.—A. O. L. Pros. Madison.
21.—N.Y.K. Macassar Maru.
22.—O.P.S. Empress of Canada.
22.—B. I. Nellore.
23.—P. & O. Isla de Panay.
23.—T.K.K. Taitaro Maru.
23.—T.K.K. Pros. McKinley.
Oct. 1.—A.O.L. Veneri.
1.—L. T. Veneri.
4.—C.P.S. Empress of Russia.
13.—A. O. L. Pros. Grant.
14.—B. I. Kaga Maru.
15.—N.Y.K. Kaga Maru.
15.—C.P.S. Empress of Asia.
16.—T.K.K. Tenjo Maru.
17.—T.K.K. Empress of Asia.
17.—T.K.K. Empress of Canada.
22.—C.P.S. Empress of Russia.
Dec. 1.—B. B. C. Lopez Y Lopez.

HONOLULU.

Aug. 31.—T.K.K. Shinyo Maru.
Sept. 16.—T.K.K. Shidzuka Maru.
17.—P. M. Pros. Lincoln.
20.—T.K.K. Taitaro Maru.
Oct. 25.—T.K.K. Taitaro Maru.
Nov. 1.—T.K.K. Korea Maru.

AMERICAN PORTS.

VANCOUVER, ETC.

Sept. 5.—N.Y.K. Shidzuka Maru.
6.—D. L. Green Dollar.
7.—A.O.L. Pros. Grant.
8.—T.K.K. Empress of Asia.
12.—B. F. Achilles.
12.—C.P.S. Empress of Canada.
26.—B. F. Philoctetes.
Oct. 4.—O.P.S. Empress of Russia.
18.—N.Y.K. Kaga Maru.
20.—C.P.S. Empress of Asia.
27.—B. F. Tendarous.
Nov. 1.—C.P.S. Empress of Asia.
17.—O.P.S. Empress of Canada.
29.—C.P.S. Empress of Russia.
Dec. 18.—B. F. Philoctetes.
Jan. 3.—B. F. Philoctetes.

VICTORIA.

Sept. 5.—N.Y.K. Shidzuka Maru.
7.—A.O.L. Pros. Grant.
12.—P. F. Achilles.
10.—A.O.L. Pros. Madison.
28.—B. F. Philoctetes.
Oct. 1.—A.O.L. Pros. McKinley.
13.—A.O.L. Pros. Jackson.
25.—A.O.L. Pros. Jefferson.
Nov. 20.—B. F. Tendarous.
Dec. 18.—B. F. Achilles.
Jan. 8.—B. F. Philoctetes.



SEATTLE.

Sept. 5.—N.Y.K. Shidzuka Maru.
19.—B. F. Achilles.
19.—A.O.L. Pros. Madison.
20.—B. F. Philoctetes.
47.—B. F. Tendarous.
Oct. 1.—A. O. L. Pros. McKinley.
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Nov. 21.—B. F. Achilles.
Dec. 18.—B. F. Philoctetes.
26.—B. F. Tendarous.

SAN FRANCISCO.

Aug. 31.—T.K.K. Shinyo Maru.
Sept. 10.—U.S.S.B. West Carmona.
15.—T.K.K. Shidzuka Maru.
17.—P. M. Pros. Lincoln.
Oct. 1.—U.S.S.B. West Carmona.
23.—T.K.K. Taitaro Maru.
23.—T.K.K. Taitaro Maru.
Nov. 1.—T.K.K. Korea Maru.

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Sept. 4.—C. N. C. Linsam.
5.—T.K.K. Ginta Maru.
8.—D. L. Grace Dollar.
Oct. 20.—T.K.K. Anyo Maru.
Dec. 4.—T.K.K. Fuyo Maru.
Jan. 4.—T.K.K. Rakuyo Maru.

PORTLAND.

Sept. 24.—U.S.S.B. West Foats.
29.—U.S.S.B. Hannawa.

NEW YORK.

(VIA PANAMA).
Aug. 31.—N.Y.K. Lisbon Maru.
(VIA SAIGON).
Sept. 1.—P. L. Moorish Prince.
4.—B. F. Antiochus.
12.—D. & Co. Bows Castle.
15.—B. F. Bellerophon.
17.—B. F. Isla de Panay.
19.—N.D.L. Ludwighafen.
24.—T.K.K. Malyo Maru.
25.—B. F. City of Baghdad.
Oct. 5.—B. F. Persans.
15.—N.D.L. Weser.
Nov. 1.—B. B. Jacezpi.
Dec. 18.—B. B. C. Lopez Y Lopez.

BOSTON.

Aug. 31.—N.Y.K. Lisbon Maru.
Sept. 1.—P. L. Moorish Prince.
4.—B. F. Antiochus.
13.—D. & Co. Bows Castle.

VACCINATION.

IMPROVING THE LAW.

The unsatisfactory position of public vaccinators at the present time, the abuses which have been found to exist in the general system of vaccination in the Colony, and the necessity of providing a regular method of vaccination for intending emigrants which will be suitable to the requirements of the countries or colonies to which they are about to proceed were given as the main reasons for the introduction by the Attorney General at this afternoon's meeting of the Legislative Council of a Bill to amend the law relating to vaccination.

The opportunity has also been taken to introduce a number of changes of varying importance, some of which have been adapted from the provisions of the Straits Settlements Quarantine and Prevention of Disease Ordinance, 1915.

The Attorney General said the effect of the Bill would be that the vaccination of emigrants would fall into the hands of the Government service and he thought that effect was a desirable one.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the Bill was read a first time.

HONGKONG'S LAWS.

NEW EDITION PLANNED.

A new bill to authorise the preparation and issue of a new edition of the Ordinances in force in the Colony, to be known as the Ordinances of Hongkong, 1844-1923 was introduced at this afternoon's meeting of the Legislative Council by the Attorney General. The need for such an edition has been apparent, it was explained, for some time, and it is considered desirable that the new edition should now be prepared.

The bill was read a first time.

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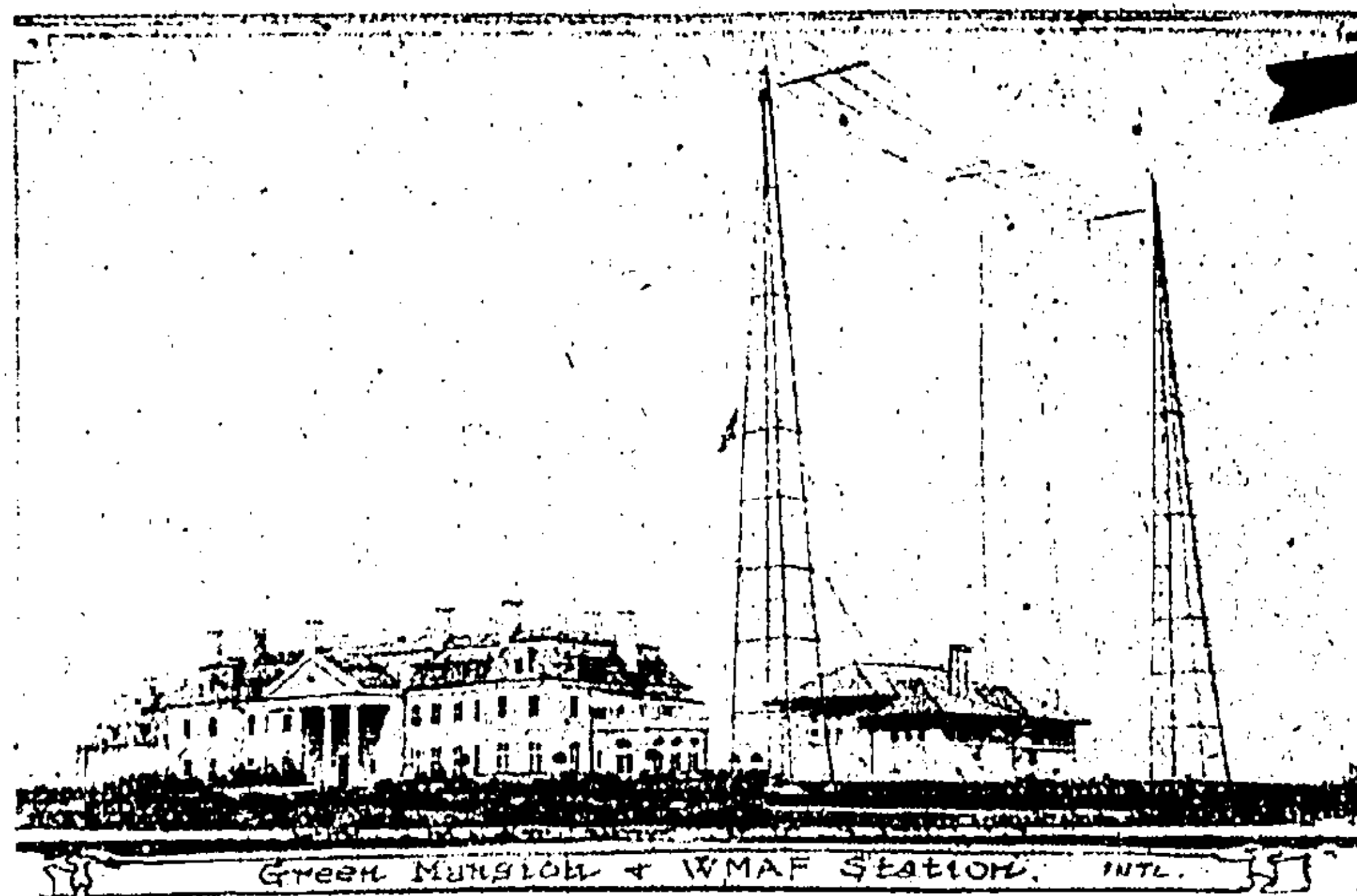
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GET A TIN TO-DAY.



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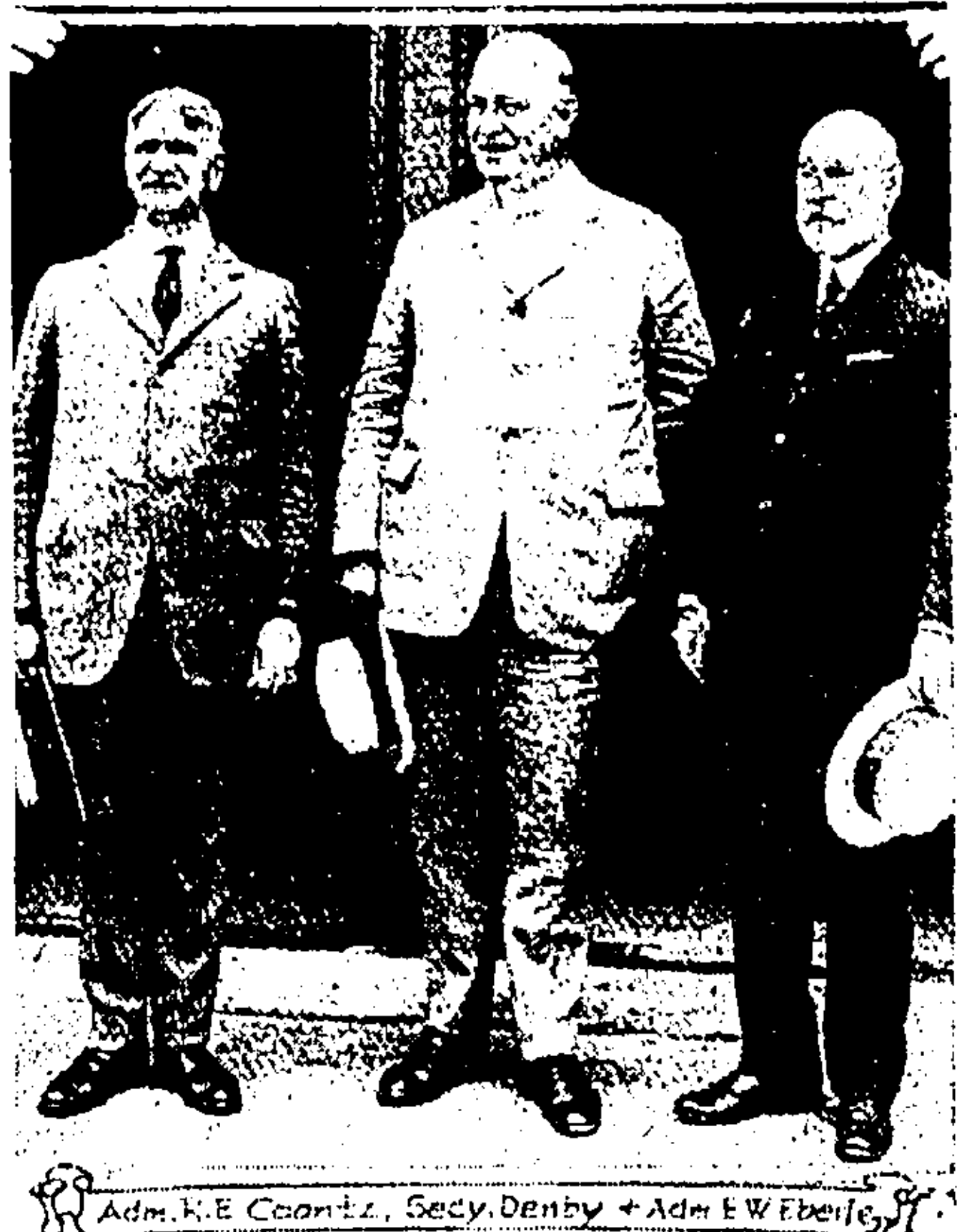
Because he gave Mrs. Priscilla Hague, a bride of a few weeks a kiss of "fatherly affection," Rev. George L. Paine, prominent Boston clergyman, was punched in the jaw by her husband, Lieutenant Wesley McLaren Hague. He was badly cut in the encounter with the irate naval officer.



Colonel E. H. R. Green, son of the late Hett Green, is a most enthusiastic radio fan. In his palatial home at Round Hills, South Dartmouth, he has erected a broadcasting station of 500 watt power and 360 meter wave lengths, sending out daily the entire programmes of the American Telephone & Telegraph Company's New York Station. Colonel Green plans to make his estate a great clinic for discussion of radio ideas, a place for college professors to work out their wireless problems.

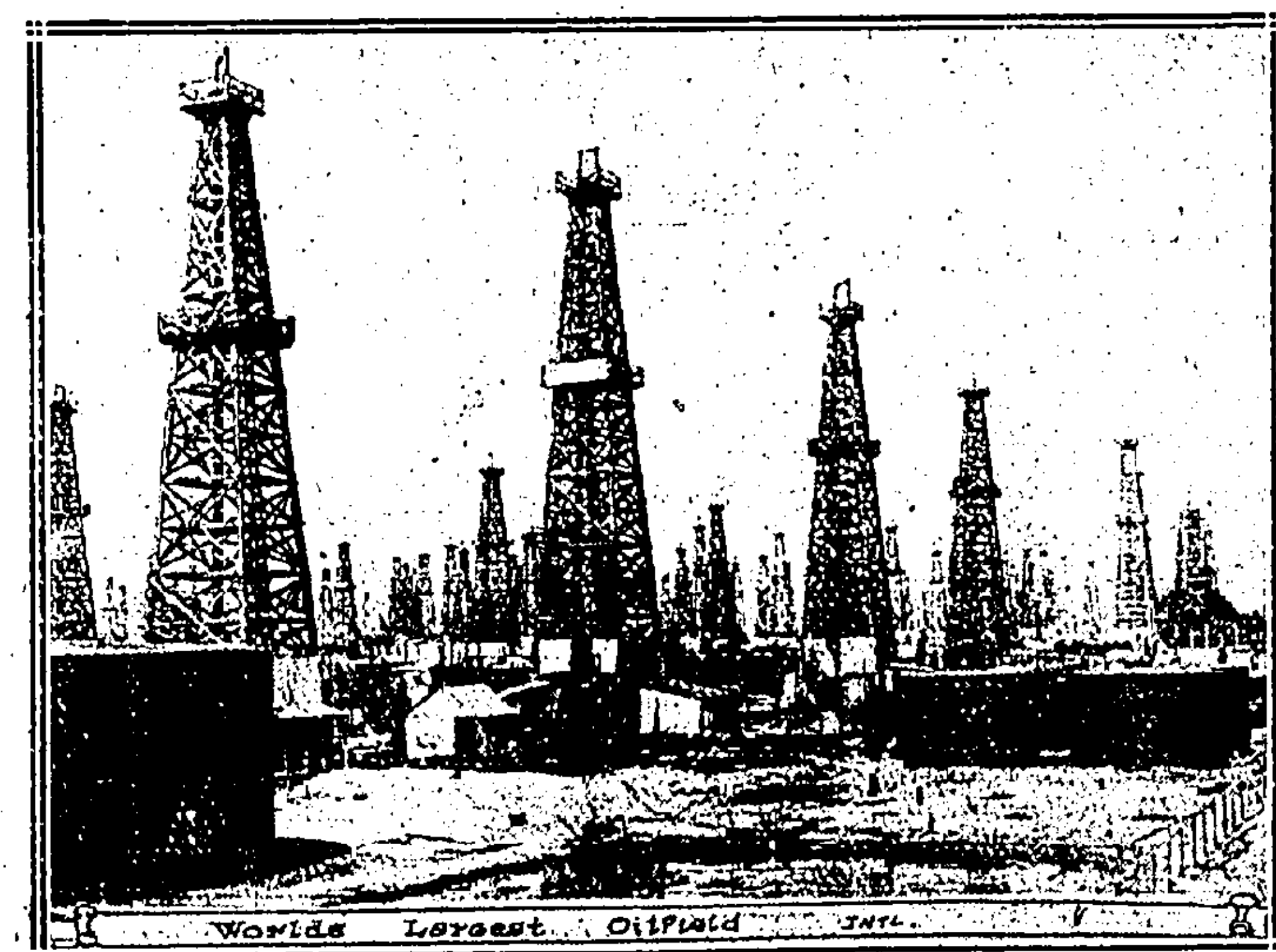


Laughing loudly in her cell in Auburn State Prison where she will be confined until taken to Sing Sing State Prison to be electrocuted for the murder of Frederick Schneider, wealthy New York contractor, with whom she lived and whom she was convicted of murdering in his automobile, Mrs. Anna Buzzi declared to reporters she would never die in the chair. "I have asked the cards," she said. "They told me at my trial I would be disappointed, but now they tell me I will get a new trial and that I will be freed."



Adm. R. E. Coontz, Secy. Denby + Adm. E. W. Eberle

Here are the three leaders of the United States Navy. Left to right, they are: Admiral R. E. Coontz, retiring Chief of Naval Operations, who will assume command of the combined battle fleet; Secretary of the Navy Edwin Denby, and Rear Admiral E. W. Eberle, who commanded the battle fleet in the Pacific, but who now becomes Chief of Naval Operations, succeeding Admiral Coontz.



Here are only a few of the oil wells at Santa Fe Springs, Cal., called the largest oil fields in the world, producing millions of dollars' worth of crude oil each month.



Baron Van Boetelaer + Bride

Another name was added to the long list of American girls with foreign titles when Miss Ethel Carver Litchfield, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Lawrence Litchfield, of Pittsburgh, became the bride, in Paris, of Baron Van Boetelaer, of Osterhaus, Holland. The groom is in the diplomatic service and at present is stationed in Copenhagen. The wedding was solemnized in the American Pro-Cathedral of Holy Trinity, in Paris.



U. S. Naval Lieutenant L. J. Roth, a tiny figure at the top of the balloon netting, is shown making the final inspection of the naval balloon A-6698, in which he and Lieutenant T. B. Null started from Indianapolis on July 4, in the elimination races to determine the three American entries in the James Gordon Bennett races in Europe this fall. The balloon fell into Lake Erie, and the two officers were drowned.

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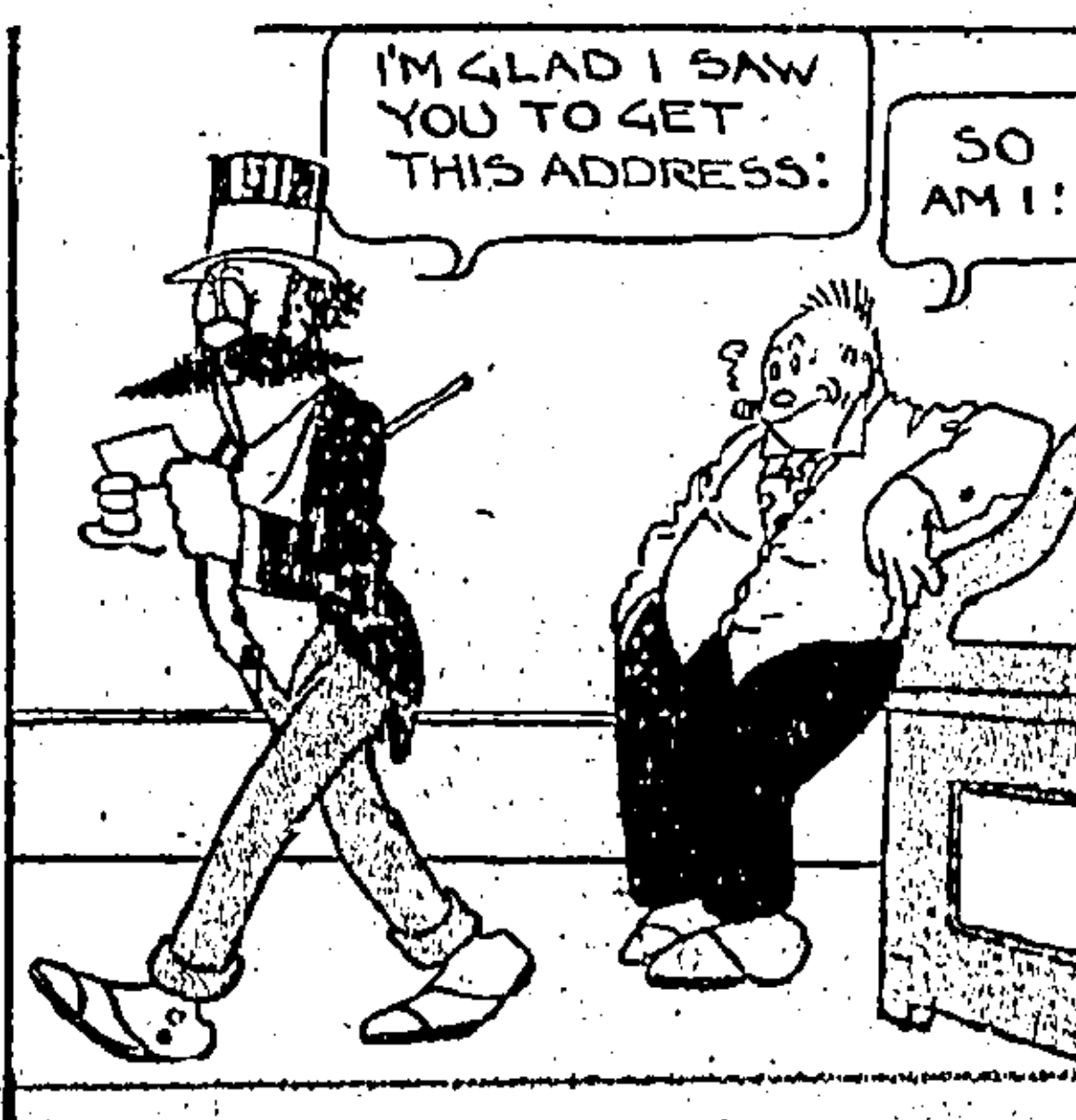
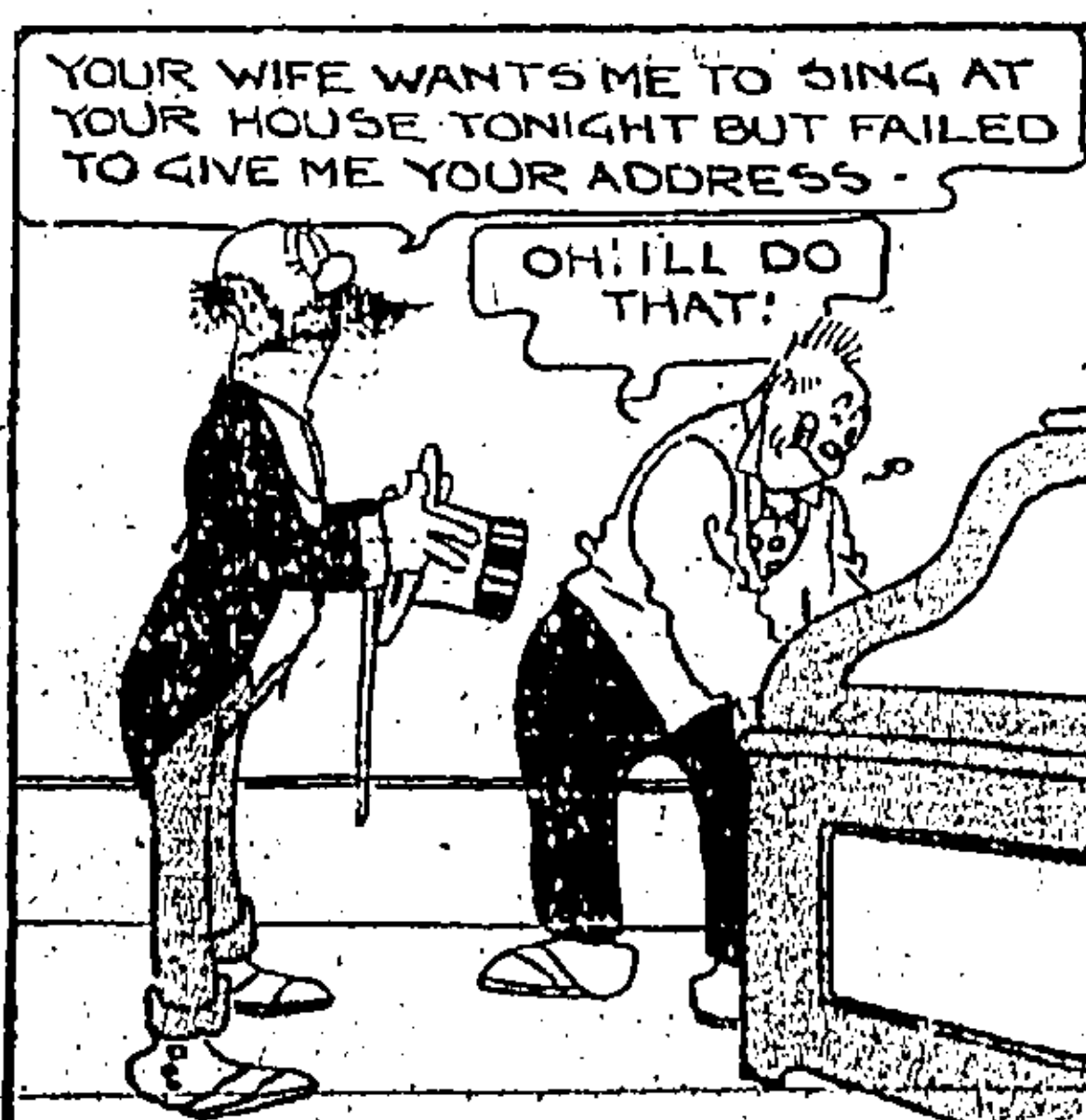
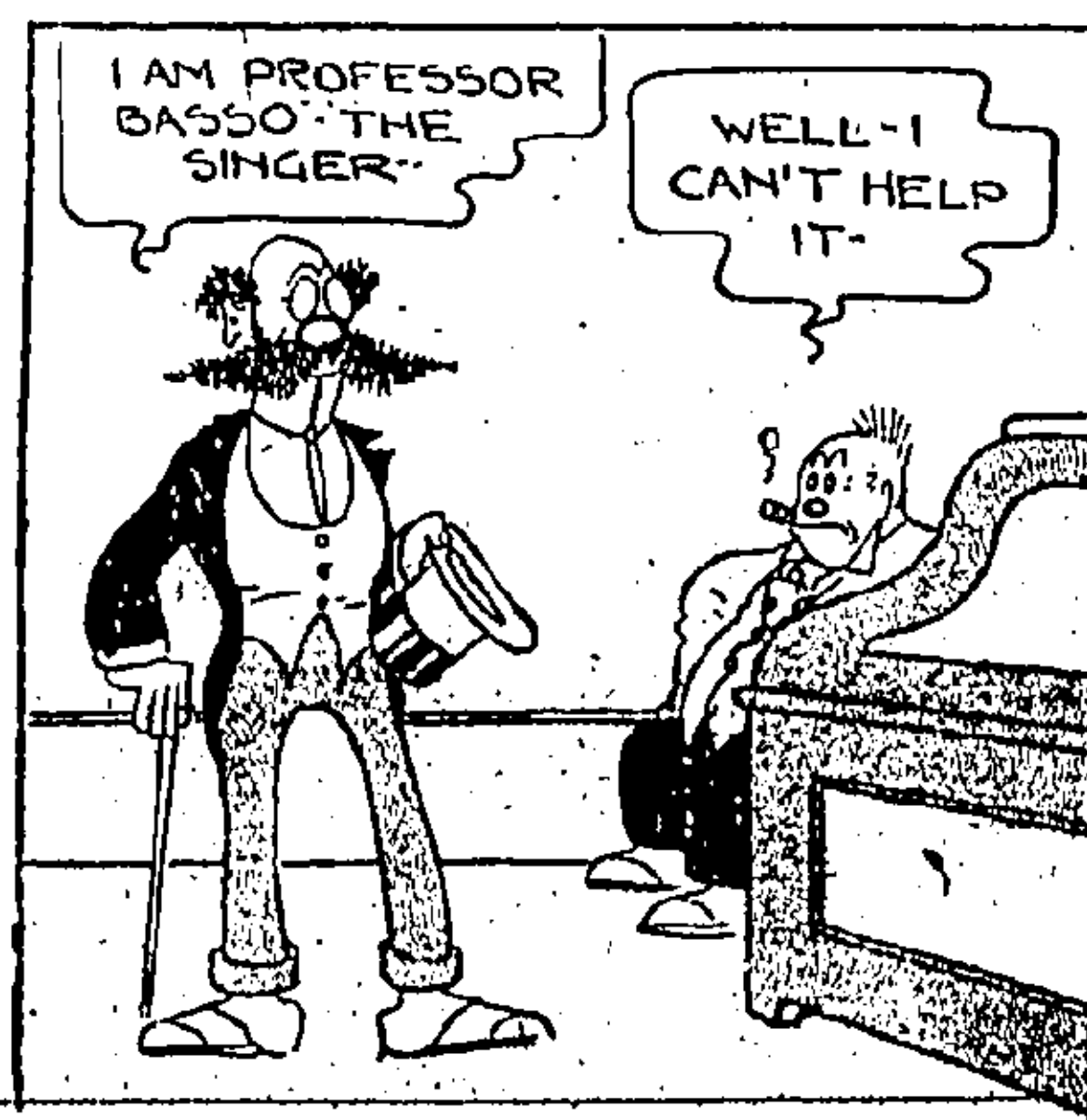
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HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been
compiled at the National Almanac Office
in London from the result of the analysis
of observations taken by means of an
automatic tide-recording machine in the
Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui
during the years 1905-9.

The zero of the table corresponds with
the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty
Chart, which has been found to be 4 feet
inches below mean sea-level.

To obtain the depth of water on the
tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard
add 3 feet 6 inches, and on the gauge
at Leamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet
4 inches to the height given in the table.

August 25 to 31, 1923.

High Water Low Water

Standard Time Height Standard Time Height

Aug. 25 5 30 2.1 1 10 1.8 3 4

Aug. 26 5 18 2.2 1 10 1.8 3 4

Aug. 27 5 04 2.3 1 10 1.8 3 4

Aug. 28 4 50 2.4 1 10 1.8 3 4

Aug. 29 4 36 2.5 1 10 1.8 3 4

Aug. 30 4 22 2.6 1 10 1.8 3 4

Aug. 31 4 08 2.7 1 10 1.8 3 4

Board of Conservancy Works of
Kwongtung.

Waterlevels in Highest Foot at 8 a.m.

Place of Observation Highest Foot Lowest Foot

Wanchow West River + 79.50 - 2.42

Kowloon West River + 14.70 - 0.80

Wanchow North River + 87.00 0 95 9.0

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Wireless Communication with Kwong Tochoo Wan has been restored.

Telegraphic Communication with Gap Rock Lighthouse has been restored.

Telegraphic Communication with Wagon Lighthouse has been restored.

INWARD MAILS.

From THURSDAY, AUGUST 30.

Shanghai, 10.30 a.m. Szechow
Seigon, 10.30 a.m. Szechow
EUROPE via Suez (London, Yokohama & Hongkong) 10.30 a.m. Szechow
FRIDAY, AUGUST 31.

Japan, 10.30 a.m. Japan
Japan, 10.30 a.m. Japan
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1.

Shanghai, 10.30 a.m. Kanchow
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2.

EUROPE via Suez and Negapatam (London papers
only 2nd Aug.) 10.30 a.m. Canton
Bombay, 10.30 a.m. Nagano Maru

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3.

Straits, 10.30 a.m. C. Legie
Japan, 10.30 a.m. Maru Maru
Straits, 10.30 a.m. Awa Maru

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7.

EUROPE via Suez (letter and papers, London 9th
Aug, and Pacific 1st August) 10.30 a.m. Karmala

OUTWARD MAILS.

For THURSDAY, AUGUST 30.

Fort Bayard, 10.30 a.m. Ah Pit Tai
Amoy, 10.30 a.m. Tando
Japan, 10.30 a.m. Mentor
Shanghai, 10.30 a.m. City of Norwich

FRIDAY, AUGUST 31.

Shanghai, 10.30 a.m. Kawai Maru
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Mandla, 10.30 a.m. Sunli

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WEATHER REPORT.

August 30d. 12h 12m—Pressure
has decreased moderately over
S.W. Japan and slightly over
Cochin China. It is nearly station-
ary from Hongkong to Formosa
and over the Philippines.

The typhoon in the Eastern Sea
is moving slowly northward.

A depression lies over S. China.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours
ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 1.01 inch.

Total since January 1st, 76.34 inches,
against an average of 66.76 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at
noon on August 31, 1923.

1—Formosa Channel, S. W. di de
moderate.

2—South coast of China between
Hongkong and Lamook, S.W. wind,
fresh, squally; overcast, rain.

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wind, fresh, squally; overcast, rain.

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